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Marginal Column

By "COMMENTATOR"

A MAN called Fuad Nasser was given a ten year sentence the other day by an Amman court. He is the secretary general of the Communist party in Jordan, and there has been nothing against him apart from the fact that he has been active on behalf of his party. Wherever such cases of crude injustice happen they must be emphatically denounced by all those whose consciences have not been completely blunted. Such sentences are morally indefensible and politically ineffectual, at least on this side of the Iron Curtain. ■

HOWEVER, Mr. E. Habibi, editor of the Communist "Al-Ittihad", should not be allowed to get away with his attempt (on another page of this newspaper) to exploit the Fuad Nassar case for a sweeping rewrite of the history of his own party. Fuad Nassar has never made a secret out of his struggle against the Jews. In his speech at the first Congress of the "League of National Liberation" in Jaffa in August, 1946 he declared: "When (Nimr) Hawari sold land to the Jews, the people of the "League" were fighting Zionism with arms in their hands." This might not be the right time to enlarge on the personal role played by Fuad Nassar in the anti-Jewish campaign of the Communists, for the simple reason that he will not be able to answer. But what we can do, is to expose some of the more glaring falsehoods in Mr. Habibi's letter. ■

IT is quite untrue that the Communists broke with the Mufti when he "allied himself to the Nazi axis" in 1937. Moreover, Mr. Habibi knows as well as we do that the Rashid Ali revolt in 1941 was supported by Communism for its alleged "anti-imperialist character". We recommend the editor of "Al Ittihad" to have a look at a back issue of his own paper which, after the return of Haj Amin to the Middle East, commented on June 23, 1946: "The Arab people are celebrating this event from one end of Palestine to the other, and they have remained faithful to their 'authorities'." ("Authorities" and "Leadership" were used by the Arab press to mean the Mufti — a name banned at that time by British censorship). During 1946/7 Arab Communist delegations frequently visited the Mufti. After the return of one of these delegations (consisting of Messrs. Fuad Nassar, Tuma and Farah) a statement was given to the press: "The Arab Higher Committee is the symbol of Arab unity and we are bound by its decisions (to boycott UNSCOP). We do not recognize the Jews as a nation and their right to political independence." Another delegation (consisting of Messrs. Fuad Nassar, Tuma and Shahin) met the Mufti in Beirut in October 1947 and later published the following statement: "We expressed our loyalty to the 'leadership' and our readiness to sacrifice our lives." ("Al Wahda" 10-11-1947). These and hundreds of similar quotations might be found in the Arab press, including "Al Ittihad," during that period, and they must be very well known indeed to Mr. Habibi. ■

WITH Communists everywhere Mr. Habibi shares the organic inability to tell the truth about the past and present of his party — "truth is whatever serves the interests of the party."

Jerusalem, March 7.

Joseph Tables Budget Draft

By Moshe Brilliant, POST Parliamentary Correspondent

Commerce Minister Dov Joseph, who introduced the Government's IL.168,450,000 ordinary estimates to the Knesset in Jerusalem yesterday said that the budget would contribute to the Government's plan to break the inflationary spiral, to stabilize the currency and to achieve economic recovery. He stressed that this was the first time that ordinary State revenue would cover not only the cost of Government services, but also the Security budget, the payment of debts and interest and part of the Development budget.

Dr. Joseph, who made the annual budget speech since Finance Minister Eliezer Kaplan and Minister for Economic Coordination Peretz Naphtali have fallen ill, said that the unbalanced budgets of previous years had been one of the causes of inflation since they created an excess of purchasing power.

In the course of a 40 minute speech, Dr. Joseph disclosed that some tax reforms were being proposed: the introduction of a low purchase tax on non-luxury goods and the rising of the luxury tax on real luxuries. He said that food, "Lakol" products, equipment and raw materials for agriculture and industry would be exempt. In this way, the taxes now paid on non-luxury goods would be reduced and the rates on luxuries increased.

Match Tax Abolished

The excise on matches will be abolished as a cushion against the anticipated rise in prices arising from the exchange rate reforms. Beside the recent increase in the excise on beer, no increases were contemplated.

Dr. Joseph also disclosed that the fiscal year now ending would probably close with a slight deficit. The budget deficit in the first 11 months was IL.1,678,462. The Minister said this was due to a lag in revenue from the Government's Popular Loan, but that the deficit would be covered by future income from the loan.

The new estimates involved a 50 per cent increase in revenue from taxes and collections of loans, from interest and from Government property. Income tax, customs, excise and luxury rates will bring in more than 80 per cent of this increase, Dr. Joseph estimated.

The estimates provide for IL.47m. from income tax (compared with IL.31m.); IL.73m. from customs and excise (compared with IL.47,750,000); IL.22m. from luxury and purchase taxes (compared with IL.11m.).

Dr. Joseph defended the luxury tax as one of the main sources of revenue. He acknowledged that articles which normally were not considered luxuries had been taxed, but claimed that 85 per cent of the revenue had come from purchases of jewellery, transport vehicles, expensive wines, electrical equipment, furniture and clothing which are not "Lakol" or popular.

Burden Necessary

"The taxes the Government proposes to collect are not light, but we are convinced that a need exists to impose this burden on the residents of the State in view of the present situation," Dr. Joseph declared.

The IL.54,613,000 increase over the IL.113,677,000 was designed mainly to cover the entire Security budget, part of the Development budget and to create a special reserve to cover anticipated increases, especially in wages, arising from the introduction of multiple exchange rates, the Minister went on. The allocations for Government services were nominally increased, but actually cut if the rise in population and the inflation were borne in mind, he claimed.

The estimates took into account the reduction of the civil service by 1,600 officials, but this retrenchment would not affect education, health, police and economic controls.

Other budgetary proposals cover:

1. The increase of the police force from 3,250 men to 5,000, mainly for reinforcements in the Negev and at the frontiers.

2. The provision of 1,000 new beds in prefabricated hospitals being shipped from Finland and which will be erected in Tiberias, Hatin, Nahariya, Safed and in the Negev.

3. The investment of contributions of potential immigrants in their countries of origin, by the Ministry of Health.

Dr. Joseph acknowledged that a need existed to expand Government services, but he said the question was: "Could too heavy a burden be loaded onto our young State?"

A 20-hour debate will begin after the Purim recess which began yesterday. Meanwhile, however, the House authorized the Finance Committee to begin working on the budget so that it may be returned to the plenary for final vote before the fiscal year ends on March 31.

Newsprint Arrives

Dr. Israel Kastner, of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, told the Knesset Finance Committee yesterday that there was no danger that the publication of the daily press would have to be suspended because of a shortage of newsprint.

He said substantial supplies of newsprint would arrive in the country today and within the next few days.

Knesset Passes Amendment On Military Service for Women

The Knesset yesterday amended the Security Service Law to require women claiming exemption from military service on grounds of religious or conscientious objection to satisfy a competent authority that their objections are genuine. Hitherto, they were required only to make declarations to that effect.

The amendment is retroactive and the cases of 4,503 women, who were exempt after making declarations, will be reexamined.

Mr. Yitzhak Ben Aharon (Mapam), Mr. Shalom Eisman (General Zionists) and Dr. Arieh Altman (Herut) proposed that the entire clause providing for exemption of religious women should be killed. They all recalled that 10 months ago, when the Government had introduced a measure requiring these women to give national service, Defence Minister David Ben Gurion had said it was vital for the security of the country.

Mr. Ben Gurion reiterated his assurance that a reform requiring religious women to do other forms of national service would be introduced shortly. He acknowledged that he had conceded in the matter to the religious parties in the interests of "family peace" in the Coalition.

He stressed, however, that the amendment under discussion yesterday would still be needed after additional reforms are introduced as religious women would still be afforded certain special privileges.

Mr. Ishar Harari (Progressive) argued against the retroactivity of the amendment and said the Knesset should respect the law it has passed. Women, who obtained exemption under a Knesset law, should be permitted to keep it, he argued.

Mapai made a last minute concession in the House when Mr. Meir Argov, chairman of the Foreign Affairs and Security Committee, revised his position on the move to limit the present scope of the measure by making it applicable only to religious objectors. The majority of the Committee had voted to make it inapplicable to concientious objectors and Mr. Ben Aharon had entered a minority motion for retaining it. Mr. Argov told the House he accepted the Ben Aharon minority motion.

In the final ballotting on the amendment, the only Opposition vote was cast by Mr. Meir Wilner (Communist). He had argued that the conscription of women was unnecessary.

Riley Sees Yadin On Lebanon MAC

Major General William E. Riley, U.N. Chief of Staff, spent the day in Israel yesterday when he flew in from Beirut for a meeting with the Chief of Staff, Rav Aluf Yigael Yadin. The meeting was arranged at the General's request.

An official announcement issued later stated that matters concerning the Israel-Lebanon Mixed Armistice Commission were discussed. Before he flew back to Beirut in the afternoon, Gen. Riley called on the U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Monnet B. Davis.

Asked at Lydda Airport about recent rumours of peace feelers, Gen. Riley said that no practical steps had been taken in that direction. "I'd would be the last person to comment any news about peace between Israel and any Arab country, if ever that stage were reached," Gen. Riley reportedly said.

British, American Envoys Call On Premier Hilali

CAIRO, Thursday. — British Ambassador Sir Ralph Stevenson, called on Premier Hilali today. The interview lasted 30 minutes.

The Ambassador told newspapermen that his visit was simply a courtesy call on the new head of the Government. Before being received by the Prime Minister, he called on the new Foreign Minister, Abdel Khalek Hassuna Pasha.

U.S. Ambassador Jefferson Caffery followed the British Ambassador in the Prime Minister's Office. He, too, stated that his call was a simple visit to the new Premier.

Political observers, however, were inclined to regard these two calls as a preliminary combined step toward the renewal of contacts between London and Cairo in preparation for Anglo-Egyptian negotiations.

Later today Hilali said he has the Anglo-Egyptian question under study and he will not start talks with Britain "before I have formed an opinion on the issue." Addressing reporters, Hilali added: "The British Government has left me every latitude to fix an appointment for the talks when I am ready to do so."

He turned as "baseless" the report in the pro-Wafdist "Al Misri" today which quoted him as saying that Egypt was ready to enter the Middle East defence organization.

Referring to the visit of the British Ambassador, Hilali said it was "a courtesy visit." He declined, however, to comment on the visit of the U.S. Ambassador. (AFP, AP)

India Appreciation Of Israel Better—Eytan

NEW DELHI, Thursday (AP). — Mr. Walter Eytan, Director-General of the Israel Foreign Ministry said tonight that his nine-day stay here had resulted "in a better appreciation of my country's position in India."

Mr. Eytan flew here on February 28 as a guest of the Government of India. It is well-known that, despite India's sympathies for Israel's troubles and difficulties, the Nehru Government is following a cautious policy because of India's own relations with surrounding Arab and other Moslem countries, and the fact that 40,000,000 of its own population are Moslems.

Goldmann For Fund Coordination Body

The establishment of a supreme coordination committee in New York for the United Jewish Appeal and the Independence Bond Drive was recommended by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, Co-chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, at the opening session in Jerusalem yesterday of the Agency's first plenary session since the Zionist Congress. He also discussed the limits within which the Conference of Jewish Organizations would work at the reparations conference in Brussels.

English will be the official language at the Brussels conference, Dr. Goldmann announced.

The evening session yesterday was devoted to the problem of legal status for the Zionist Organization. Whereas formulation of a draft-bill on status was discussed, it is understood that the precise form of the Executive's recommendation has not yet crystallized.

The plenary session was opened in the morning with Mr. Itzl Locker, Co-chairman of the Executive, in the chair. The agenda, as outlined by Mr. Locker, includes, in addition to the deliberations on U.S. fund-raising activities and the problem of status, budgetary matters and the agenda for the forthcoming Zionist General Council meeting.

The Executive is to meet again next Wednesday.

Mr. Maurice M. Boukstein, Legal Adviser to the Jewish Agency in New York, arrived yesterday for the Jerusalem meeting attended by all members of the Jerusalem and New York sections. The only absentee is Charles Greenberg, Labour member of the American section.

U.S. Grant Talks Early Next Week

Another meeting for the release of the balance of $24.2m. of the $50m. U.S. grant-in-aid for refugee relief signed in Tel Aviv on February 27, has been scheduled for early next week between Mr. Bruce McDaniel, the Grant administrator, and the Director General of the Prime Minister's Office, Mr. Ehud Avriel, it was learned in Jerusalem yesterday.

It is also expected that the final negotiations for the signing of a second grant agreement for $16m. dollars will start soon. The draft of this agreement has already arrived from Washington.

Koch Retrial in April

KARLSRUHE, Thursday (INA). — The retrial of Ilse Koch is to open before the Central Court here on April 22.

Last year she was sentenced to life imprisonment for instigating mass murders.

Hongkong Defence Budget Soars

HONGKONG, Thursday (UP).—Financial Secretary A.G. Clabe yesterday introduced the annual budget for the fiscal year 1952-3 to the Legislative Council, asking for a 15-fold increase in defence appropriations.

The budget totalled Hongkong $288,007,166 (US $62 m.), which exceeded the current fiscal year's budget by about 21 per cent.

Double Deadlock In Korean Truce Talks

TOKYO, Thursday. — The Korean truce talks sank into a double stalemate today as Communist negotiators again sought to give Korean truce inspectors, including the Soviet Union, the right to examine secret Allied weapons and equipment.

Earlier Allied and Communist negotiators gave up attempts to agree on exchanging prisoners after a meeting that lasted only 12 minutes. The meeting adjourned as neither side saw any point in reviving the old arguments.

Meanwhile, the New China News Agency reiterated the Communist allegation of germ warfare by the Allies, and claimed that North Koreans in the Pyongyang district successfully destroyed "germ-laden insects dropped by the Americans."

TASS reported from Pyongyang that North Korean newspapers published photographs of the "germ bombs." One photograph was said to show the internal structure of the bombs, "divided into two compartments in which the infected insects are placed." Other pictures show fragments as well as the outward appearance of the bomb and the mechanism which opens it up when it strikes the ground, the report added. (UP, Reuter)

NO COMMITMENT

TOKYO, Thursday (Reuter).—Premier Shigeru Yoshida said here today that the proposed treaty between Japan and Nationalist China would not commit Japan to help the Nationalists in a war against the Chinese People's Republic.

Landslide Follows On Japanese Earthquake

TOKYO, Thursday (Reuter). — Rescue workers were tonight digging for 12 to 15 people in a landslide of mud and rocks which buried four houses and smashed the entrance to a coal-mine after Tuesday's earthquake.

Families were buried in their homes and miners in a tunnel near the ruined city of Kushiro. Conflicting reports left it unclear exactly how many people were trapped. One story said six people escaped unhurt. Seven of eight bodies were reported to have been found.

Communications were still chaotic but details of the quake and tidal wave disaster were slowly coming in today from isolated parts of Hokkaido the north island.

A hill 12 metres high is said to have sprung up in a meadow in the village of Nikappu.

Officially confirmed casualties of 311, including 22 killed and four missing, were reported to the Upper House of the Japanese Diet today.

No Decision on NATO Secretary General

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). — The NATO Deputies Council adjourned its meeting here today until next Tuesday without reaching any decision on who shall be the Secretary General of the new streamlined organization, according to a NATO spokesman.

EUROPEAN ARMY

PARIS, Thursday (Reuter). — Experts met here tonight to work out final details of the treaty setting up a six-nation European Army, including German contingents.

They hope to clear the way for a final meeting of the six Foreign Ministers (France, Italy, West Germany and Benelux) for ratification.

A French Foreign Office spokesman said that if no unforeseen developments cropped up the treaty might be initialled within four or six weeks.

ECONOMIC COUNCIL

Systems of price fixing and raw materials distribution were considered by the special subcommittee of the Economic Council which met for the first time yesterday in the offices of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry in Jerusalem. The Minister, Dr. Dov Joseph, and high Ministry officials participated.

Committee members are: Messrs H. Muller (chairman), E. Oren, A. Becker, H. Dan, Y. Trapowitz and S. Klagsbald.

SPRING 'EXODUS'

NEW YORK, Thursday (INA). —The movement to Israel of Jews from Eastern Europe and the Moslem world may attain "exodus proportions" this spring as seasonal thaws make travel easier, Mr. Edward M. Warburg, General Chairman of the U.J.A., stated yesterday as he left here for a coast-to-coast trip to launch U.J.A. activity in seven of the country's largest cities.

Pinay Invested As Premier By Nat'l Assembly

PARIS, Thursday (Reuter). — M. Antoine Pinay was tonight invested by the National Assembly as France's 17th post-war Prime Minister, charged with trying to save the nation from financial collapse. The vote on Mr. Pinay's investiture was 324 for and 206 against. It was officially announced. He received more votes than the 313 needed for the investiture.

Twenty-eight rebel Gaullists, mostly of the right wing, went against the decision of their party group and abstained from voting.

M. Pinay's victory came as a great surprise after the decision of the Gaullist and Socialist parliamentary groups earlier today not to support him.

Despite his investiture political observers were sceptical about M. Pinay's prospects of giving France the strong government needed to save her from the grave political and financial crisis that broke six days ago with the defeat of the Faure cabinet.

The seriousness of the country's financial plight was disclosed by the new Premier in the debate earlier today. He revealed that 30,000m. of the emergency loan of 25,000m. francs granted by the Bank of France last Friday had been exhausted by Monday. A further advance from the Bank could be necessary.

Earlier today M. Pinay presented a double programme to the Assembly — one political and one financial — to fend off a collapse of the currency which, he said, would mean "despair in homes and disorders in the streets." He said his remedies would be neither right nor left but technical, and called for a "political truce."

His two remedies to save the franc were an amnesty to tax evaders if they confessed and stringent tax control measures involving the withdrawal of business licences for future tax offenders.

Rigorous economies were needed with good administration, he contended, and added he was in favour of observing the results of his financial measures for a few months before increasing taxation.

As political measures he proposed a reform of the Constitution, lifting the age limits for pensions of state and nationalized industry employees, a political amnesty and a reform of laws dealing with strikes to prevent indiscriminate striking. On Indo-China, he said he would adhere to the policy of the outgoing Government.

M. Pinay said France would pay her debt of 575m. to the European Payments Union in gold for lack of dollars, since "her signature cannot be discredited."

Truman Warns Congress Not To Cut $7,900m. Foreign Aid

$802m. for Mid-East, Asia

WASHINGTON, Thursday. — President Truman today asked Congress to invest another $7,900m. in building up strong Allies against Communism and warned that any cuts in foreign aid spending would be "foolish and dangerous."

In an 8,000-word special message to the House and Senate, the Chief Executive clashed head-on with economy-minded legislators of both Parties who plan to slash upwards of $1,000m. from the aid programme. He said: "If there is any question about this amount, it is not whether it is too large but whether it is too small."

Mr. Truman said that "these are not hand-outs which we can carelessly offer or withdraw without regard to the effects to our safety. The problems of U.S. survival would be multiplied to an incalculable extent if we had to face the Soviet threat without the support of other nations."

Not Satellites

He tacitly warned Congress against imposing conditions on nations receiving U.S. support: "These nations are our friends and not our satellites. We must not act as though we wished to degrade them to the rank of satellites by exacting rigid and humiliating subservience which no free nation could with dignity accept."

The President broke down the $7,900 m. as follows: Europe — $4,889 m.; the Middle East and Africa — 2027 m.; Asia and the Pacific—$1,019 m.; Latin America —504 m.

He said that military aid made up about 90 per cent of the total funds recommended. The Middle East and Africa would receive $802 m. in direct military aid and $195 m. in economic and technical assistance. Most of the $802 m. would be for Greece and Turkey.

President Truman recommended economic and technical assistance to the Middle Eastern area, including Israel, and help for Arab refugees. He stressed the importance of aid to this area, and in enumerating the ways in which America could help, he said: "We can help build roads and establish public health services in Israel." He said that funds for the Middle East could help bore wells for irrigation and drinking water in Iran and Iraq and the construction of schools and hospitals in all countries there.

Exact Breakdown Unknown

For projects in Syria, including refugee relief, the President recommended $190 m. But he did not give an exact break-down indicating how much is proposed for Israel. He assured that she will share in help for the area as a whole.

He said the Middle East presents a sharp challenge to American statesmanship. The countries of this area are of vital importance to the security of the free world but problems of achieving constructive and orderly development are extremely difficult. Living standards are generally very low, transportation and land tenure systems are often archaic, political and religious controversies simmer throughout the region and nationalism is sometimes misdirected into fanatical outbursts which ignore the benefits to be gained from international cooperation.

The Communists, Mr. Truman said, are doing their best to stir up confusion and trouble.

To help maintain security in the Middle East, he said, the U.S. joined with Britain, France, Turkey and three Commonwealth countries in proposing the establishment of a Middle East Command. "We hope," he said, "this Command will become the centre of cooperative efforts by all countries concerned for the defence of the region as a whole from outside aggression."

(UP, Reuter, INA)

Adenauer Asks Test Of Soviet Sincerity

BONN, Thursday (Reuter). — Chancellor Adenauer announced here today he had asked the Western Allies to test the sincerity of Soviet announcements on a peace treaty with Germany. He made this statement to a group of German newspapermen this afternoon.

Dr. Adenauer said he had contacted the Allied High Commission with the request before he received a letter earlier this week from Dr. Kurt Schumacher, the Social Democratic opposition leader, urging him to do so.

The East German Government called upon all four occupation powers last month to speed the conclusion of a German peace treaty. Some days later the Soviet Union announced it supported the East German appeal.

BONN WAITS

BONN, Thursday (AP).—The West German Government today cancelled plans to issue a statement on the French-German quarrel over the industrial Saar.

A Government official said the Government decided to hold up the statement in order not to make relations worse with the French, at least until a new Government is formed in Paris.

Germans More Active In Middle East

Financial circles in Germany have announced a decision to open an Egyptian-German Bank in Bremen, Cairo Radio announced yesterday.

A delegation of German students is now visiting Iraq under a cultural exchange agreement between the two countries, according to the BBC's Arabic news transmission. An Iraqi student delegation is to visit Germany this summer.

Grave Labour Party Split Gives Tories Easy Victory

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). — Parliament last night approved Premier Winston Churchill's defence programme and rejected an opposition censure motion by 314 votes to 219 (and not 314 to 290 as reported yesterday — Ed). The Government's overwhelming victory on the censure motion resulted from a serious split in Labour Party ranks, in which 62 Members abstained from voting on their Party's motion.

The House of Commons then passed a vote of confidence in the Government's defence policy, 313 votes to 55. All the 55 votes came from the Bevanite left-wingers while the Labour Party leadership abstained.

The Bevanite battle opened in the House when Mr. Richard Crossman, spokesman for the "rebels," attacked his own leaders and the Conservatives at the same time. A packed bench of Ministers enjoyed the spectacle of the spokesman of the revolt haranguing the Labour chiefs and being in turn challenged by supporters of the official party line.

The 58 Labour Members who voted against the Government's scale of rearmament openly defied their leaders and so caused the most serious split in Labour ranks since the revolt against the foreign policy of the late Ernest Bevin.

The effect of the debate was to show Mr. Aneurin Bevan steadily increasing the strength of his challenge for the future leadership of the Party. The rebel vote of 58 was nearly one-fifth of the Party's total available voting strength. When the Bevanites fought the same issue in a private meeting of the parliamentary Labour Party they mustered only 41 votes.

The Labour "Shadow Cabinet" met to discuss the split. The leadership faces a major dilemma. The offenders against official policy are so numerous that stern disciplinary action against them is impossible without splitting the movement from top to bottom. Furthermore, four of the leading dissidents are members of the Party's National Executive Committee.

$28,450m. for Defence

MOSCOW, Thursday (AP).—The Soviet Government tonight asked approval for spending 113,800,000,000 rubles ($28,450m.) for defence in 1952.

This figure was presented to a joint session of both Houses of the Supreme Soviet by Finance Minister A. G. Zverev when he submitted the annual budget.

EBAN SEES ACHESON

WASHINGTON, Thursday (INA). — The Israel Ambassador, Mr. Abba Eban, conferred today with the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, and pointed out to him Israel's positive interest in any prospects for bringing stability to the Middle East and improving Arab-Israel relations.

Anglo-French Accord On Military Personnel

LONDON, Thursday (AP).—Britain and France agreed today they will not try to turn French poilus into English tommies or vice versa.

Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, British Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, and French Ambassador Rene Massigli signed a military service agreement designed to relieve men who possess both French and British nationalities from the obligation of performing military service in both British and French forces.

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expected to arrive in Tel Aviv Port on March 14

S.S. Henrietta Szold,
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Baltimore on March 19
Philadelphia on March 20
New York on March 23

S.S. Abraham Graetz,
expected to sail from Haifa on March 15

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Isthmian Steamship Company

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AND
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Haifa: 7 Hospital St., Tel. 2234

Social & Personal

The Cabinet's good wishes for the Presidential Birthday were presented by Mr. Moshe Sharett, Premier, Minister of Foreign Affairs, at the President's home on Wednesday.

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Mr. Yosef Sprinzak, Acting President and Speaker, called at the President's home in Rehovot yesterday.

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Professor Rodrigues Pereira, German and Uruguay delegate to the U.N. and Mrs. Pereira, of UNSCOP, were the luncheon guest of Mrs. Vera Weizmann in Rehovot yesterday. He was accompanied by Mr. A. Dason of the Foreign Ministry. Earlier in Jerusalem, Prof. Pereira called on the President of the Supreme Court, Dr. M. Smoira, at the Academy and on Prof. M. Schwabe, Rector of the Hebrew University, at the Mount.

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Mr. Gusta Hedenquist, the Swedish Charge d'Affaires, and Mrs. Hedenquist, Mr. Jean C. Artzt, the Uruguay Charge d'Affaires, and Mr. Karl Hirsl, the Argentine Charge d'Affaires, and his wife and daughter have returned from a tour of the Negev which took them to Be'er Ora and Sizzit.

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Dr. Gershon Meyer, Managing Director of the Israel Fuel Corporation, left for Europe by ELAL yesterday.

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Mr. Zalman Schneour, the poet, was the guest of the Ramat Gan Municipality at a reception last night.

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Mr. Yosef Nahmias, Deputy Inspector General of Police, left yesterday by TWA for Europe on a police mission.

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Mr. Y. Gur, head of the Department of Civil Aviation, left by TWA for Paris yesterday to represent Israel at the International Communications Conference.

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Dr. Nehemia Alony, Director of the Hebrew Manuscript Department of the Ministry of Education, has returned from Austria, Italy, Germany, and the Vatican where he gathered Hebrew manuscripts.

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Miss Bertha S. Schoolman, co-chairman of the Youth Aliya Management Board, arrived from New York by Air France last night.

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Mr. E.H. Grants, head of the Dizengoff Shipping Company, entertained the members of the Tel Aviv Commercial and Industrial Club at a reception on board the Company's new vessel, the Mr. Avraham Grants, in Tel Aviv Port yesterday.

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The local premiere of the "The Taming of the Shrew," directed by Mr. Julius Gellner, of London, was given by Habimah in Tel Aviv last night. Mr. Y. Sprinzak, the Knesset Speaker, was in the audience.

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Mr. S. Rosenne, Foreign Ministry legal adviser, will speak on "The Suez Canal and Israel" at the Haifa Maritime Club at 1.15 p.m. today (Friday). Please reservations telephone 2914.

EXPRESSION OF THANKS

Mrs. Leon Petersik and family wish to thank all those who so kindly expressed their sympathy on their recent bereavement.

Where to Go

JERUSALEM

8-9 (Also tomorrow): Jerusalem Biblical Zoo: Business. Bus 5A. Feeding times 2-3 p.m.

9-1 (tomorrow 10-1): Exhibition of Swiss Posters. Bezalel Museum.

9-1 (tomorrow 10-1): Archaeological Exhibition: Dept. of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.

10-5 (also tomorrow): Sukkoth Tombs.

11.30-12.30: Film Shows of Israel. Keren Hayesod Head Office.

TEL AVIV

10-1 (also tomorrow) Exhibition of Typewriters. Lectures, telegraphic, also "Hadasha," by Gesher Circle for popular Jewish art.

HAIFA

8 a.m.-4.30 p.m.: Theological and Separate Library—Central Synagogue Rehov Hatzi Gilad.

10-1; 4-8 (tomorrow 11-1; 4-8): Exposition and Revival of the Glass Art and Literature (1920-1951). The Museum of Art, Haifa Municipality (Bizaron wing).

4-7 p.m. (tomorrow 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 4-7 p.m.): Exhibition of paintings by M. Lender, Austria. Exhibition of Painters & Sculptors Association, Haifa Branch, opp. Carmelia Court, 32 Rehov Hahar.

TOMORROW. — JERUSALEM

11 a.m.: Opening of Exhibition of Sculptures by Canadian Peace Prize Museum.

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6.30 & 9 p.m.: "The Glass Menagerie"; Chamber Theatre, Mograbi Hall.

7 & 9.30 p.m.: "Li-La-Lo News," Li-La-Lo Theatre Jaffa Hadan Hall.

7 & 9 p.m.: Erich Fellg (Harmonicist) Forum (Violin), Katz (Cello) — Old Italian Master Matinee.

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More Men But Fewer Marriages

In Israel today, there are nearly 28,000 more Jewish males than females. Fewer Jews were married last year than at any time since 1950 and fewer were divorced.

On January 1, 1952, the population was 1,578,000, including 1,405,000 Jews (89 per cent) and 173,000 non-Jews, of whom approximately 69 per cent were Moslems, 22 per cent Christians, and nine per cent Druzes, according to the Central Bureau of Statistics and Economic Research.

The Jewish population increased by 1951 by 17 per cent, compared with 19 and 20 per cent, respectively, in 1950 and 1949. Immigration accounted for 62.7 per cent of the year's increase of 242,000. Natural increase was 34,835 in 1951, against 29,711 in 1950, and 30,825 in 1949.

The birth rate of 32.3 per 1,000 in 1951 and 31.8 in 1950 was the highest on record since 1920. Mortality was 6.9 per 1,000 in 1951, and 6.5 per 1,000 in 1950.

More Men Than Women

Jewish males outnumber females — 713,200 to 692,437. In the age groups up to four years males decreased for 13.6 per cent of the total — the largest group. Divided into three main groups, those up to 14 years account for 30.9 per cent of the total, the 15 to 59-year group for 62.3 per cent, and the old-age group from 60 years and over for only 6.8 per cent.

The number of marriages declined from the record figure of 13.9 per 1,000 in 1950 to 11.3 per 1,000 in 1951. Divorces declined from 2.1 to 1.7 per 1,000.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

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HAIFA: Shaaraw, corner Bank-Jaffa, 6924. Arnon, 4 Prophets, 4176. Tomorrow: Wadi Nisnas, 28 Eliezer, 4197. Zahar, 2 Arlosoroff, 5582. Kiryat Shmuel today and tomorrow: Stolz, 7230. Mt. Carmel: tomorrow, Carmel, 433 Hoffe, 4713.

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EDISON: Alice in Wonderland. Today at 1.30 p.m.: Calamity Jane.

ORION: Larry Harvy. Today at 3 p.m.: Tea for Two.

SEMADAR: The Third Man (5, 7 & 9 p.m.).

STUDIO: House of Strangers.

Y.M.C.A.: Little Women (6.30 p.m.). Also today at 3 p.m.

ZION: Bird of Paradise. Today at 2.45 p.m. The Brave Bulls.

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Yesterday's News Review

Living Standard Based On Productivity

Analyzing the proposed Ordinary Budget, "Hatzofe" (Mizrahi) cites as its main characteristic the transition from inflation to deflation, and the fact that the Security Budget, the largest single item, is covered by the revenue from the regular budget. Stressing that for the first time the Government's financial policy has been put on a sound basis with the elimination of dangerous inflationary stop-gap practices, the paper predicts that, henceforth, productivity will determine our standard of living.

Both "Kol Ha'am" (Communist) and "Haboker" (General Zionist) differ, the former calling it a "budget of starvation typical of Marshallized countries preparing a third world war," "Haboker's" criticism centres on the significant increase in indirect taxation. The paper condemns what it considers to be overtones of doctrines of the London School of Economics and the "Socialism in our time" theory.

"Hamishkif" (Agudat Israel) calls the proposed budget "the beginning of our economic recovery.

"Ha'aretz" (Independent) criticizes both the Histadrut demands for a monthly cost-of-living allowance increase as of this month and industry's willingness to grant such increases, asserting that both sides have apparently not yet understood fully the meaning of the deflationary policy.

The paper urges a month's postponement of a decision in the matter to give both sides a chance to "learn a lesson in deflationary realities."

Japhet Bank Case

HAIFA, Thursday.—A claim for IL.23,841 compensation and damages against Jacob Japhet and Company was filed by Mr. Ernst Israel Japhet in the District Court here today. Mr. Japhet, former manager of the Japhet Bank, claims that he was dismissed from the bank, of which his father was a founder, in an improper and unjust manner. He claims the money as indemnity and compensation for harm done to his name by his dismissal.

RADIO SYMPOSIUM

"Israel in another 10 Years" is the theme of a Kol Zion Lagola symposium (in Yiddish) to be broadcast at 9.40 p.m. on Saturday.

Mr. Moshe Rosetti, Knesset Secretary, will participate in the programme which includes the following Jerusalem journalists: Messers: Y. Tan-Pai, Levi Yitzhak, S. Svistutzki, B. Corainik, S. Rosenfeld, and Y. Gross-Zimmermann.

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Religious Services

Shabbat begins in Jerusalem at 5.03 p.m. today and ends at 6.13 p.m. tomorrow.

Yeshurun Synagogue: Tonight: 5.35 p.m. tomorrow: Shabbat, 8 a.m.: Minha, 12.45 & 5.00 p.m. Arvit, 6.10 p.m.

Beit V'Knesset (Gan Rehavia): Tonight: 5.30 p.m.: Tomorrow: Shabbat, 8.30 a.m.

Ashkenazi Israel Congregation Sephardic Orthodox Minyan, Jaffa Road: Tomorrow at 8.30 a.m. Youth Service with Congregational Singing.

Jerusalem Hebrew Congregation, Gan Rehavia, Rehov Ben Maimon: 10 a.m. Hebrew Service and Lecture, 8 p.m.

TEL AVIV

Beth Israel (96 Dizengoff Road). Tonight: 5.25 p.m. Tomorrow: Shabbat, 8.15 a.m.

Bad Shivat Zion (67 Ben Yehuda St.): Tonight: Minha, 5.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Shabbat, 6.15 a.m. and 6.15 a.m.: Minha: 12.30 & 5.30 p.m.

Bad Shivat Zion (14 Balfour St.): Tonight: Minha, 5.25 p.m. Tomorrow: Shabbat, 8 a.m.: Minha, 5.25.

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Beth Israel (Persian House) Tonight: Minha, 4.40 p.m. Tomorrow: Shabbat, 8.30 a.m.

Beth Israel (Mt. Carmel): Tonight: Minha, 4.40 p.m. Tomorrow: Shabbat, 8.30 a.m. Arvit, 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

JERUSALEM

English Mission Hospital Chapel — Anglican-Episcopalian (next to Hadassah A): H.C. 7.30 p.m. E.S. 6.30 p.m. Preacher: Canon H.R.A. Jones.

St. Andrew's (Scots Memorial Church): M.S. 10 a.m. E.S. 6 p.m. Rev. Scott-Martinson.

Zion Christian Mission (Prophets St., near Rev. Kook St.): Sunday, Combined Service at Y.M.C.A., 7.30 p.m. Rev. Wm. L. Hull.

Combined Evangelical Services (Y.M.C.A. Lecture Hall): 7.30 p.m. All welcome.

Catholic: 6 a.m. (German Hospice Chapel): Languages: German, Italian, English, French; 7 a.m. Terra Sancta Chapel: Languages: English, French, German, Italian. St. Pierre de Sion (Rattisbonne): Languages: French, Arabic, English, German, Hungarian, Hebrew, Portuguese; 8 a.m.: German Hospice Chapel; 8 a.m. Jesuits Chapel (near King David Hotel): Languages: French, Polish, English, Italian, German, 9 a.m. St. Pierre de Sion; 10 a.m. Terra Santa College.

American Colony Church (Prophets St., near Beit Hulda): Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Midweek Prayer: Wednesday at 7.30 p.m. Minister: M.G. Gustavson.

Bible Evangelistic Mission Assembly of God, Shmuhilis Road, corner King George: Sunday: 11 a.m. & 7.30 p.m. Wednesday & Friday, 7.30 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. & 7.30 p.m. [Rev. L.T. Pearson].

Y.M.C.A. Christian Fellowship Vesper Service 6.00 p.m. All welcome.

TEL AVIV & JAFFA

Anglican Church (Episcopal) is the Church in the former German Colony (off 19 Eliav St.): H.C. 7.30 a.m.; M.S. 10 a.m.; E.S. 7 p.m. Rev. R.O. Allison, P.O.B. 2772.

St. Peter's Church (Presbyterian), Street 6: E.S. 7 p.m. Rev. W.R. Miller.

HAIFA

St. Luke's Church: Mountain Rd. near Vine St. (Anglican Episcopal Episcopal): H.C. 7.30a.m.; M.S. 10 a.m. E.S. 6.30 p.m. Rev. E.T. Allen (P.O.B. 1397).

Scandinavian Seamen's Church (41 Hospital St., P.O.B. 1305). Rev. Peter Faye Hansen: Lutheran Services in Scandinavian (German 6 English) E.S. 7 p.m. Tuesday: Bible Study 8 p.m.

NAZARETH

Nazareth Baptist Church (near Mary's Well, Tiberias Rd.): M.S. 11 a.m.; E.S. 6.30 p.m. Thursday: Bible Study 6.30 p.m. D.L. Baker, P.O.B. 32.

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Great Optimism On Crop Prospects

There is considerable optimism both in Government circles and among farmers regarding the crop prospects this year. It is expected that the yield will considerably exceed last year's, it was learned in Jerusalem yesterday.

The increase in crops is due to the abundance of rain as well as to the extension of the cultivated area by another 500,000 dunams.

In the Ministry of Agriculture and Development there are already some estimates as to the amount of produce likely to be obtained this year.

It is estimated that there will be 37,000 tons of wheat, as compared with 12,000 tons last year. Moreover, it has been found that the grains are of top quality, being much heavier than the grains of imported wheat. It has been suggested, therefore, that this grain should not be consumed locally but should be exported (as seed, etc.) and it has been estimated that for each ton of our grain exported we could get 1.5 tons of wheat for flour making.

A very considerable increase is expected in the quantity of fodder grains — including corn. The estimated crop this year will reach 121,000 tons, as compared with 33,700 tons last year. This year's amount will probably cover the country's entire grain fodder need, thus cutting the foreign currency expended on fodder imports from 319 m. to 37 m. only.

The estimated vegetable crop this year is put at 250,000 tons, as compared to 145,000 tons last year. To ensure an absolute abundance of vegetables, both for the local markets and for export, the Ministry of Agriculture is encouraging the planting of small vegetable gardens near household kitchens.

Potato production is expected to go up from 27,000 tons last year to 32,000 this year.

The total catch of the Israel fishing industry is also expected to rise, from 8,700 tons last year to an estimated 11,700 tons this year.

Zealots Plead Guilty To Lesser Charges

A model of the Sinai Yeshiva, with its arms cache and miniature furniture, submitted as evidence in the Zealots trial before the Jerusalem District Court, looked like a stage prop after the performance when the four accused, in a surprise move yesterday, confessed to a considerably less serious indictment. The maximum penalty now is 10 years for possessing explosive materials.

After the Prosecution had already dropped the seven most serious counts, it now again further amended the charge sheet to the effect that the second, Yehuda Ridler, Mordecai Eisler, Eliahu Retel, and Noah Wachner, confessed to, and were convicted of, three different and more misdemeanour counts. The original indictment contained 10 counts against each, and could have meant life-sentences on some of the charges.

After the accused had confessed, the Defence asked that a Probation Officer make a study of the accused. It was declared that since the crime was not the result of criminal depravity but of social and religious convictions, the fate should still be put on probation. The Court will hand down its decision whether to order a Case Study at 11 a.m. today.

First Trial in Israel On Income Tax Fraud

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — The first criminal case in this country — whether in the State of Israel or under the Mandate — on the contravention of income tax laws began here today before the Acting President, of the District Court, Dr. A. Witkon.

Two brothers, Boris and Moshe Lemmelstreich, of the Montefiore quarter here, were charged under the penal provisions of the law relating to fraud. Owing to the absence of Boris Lemmelstreich in America, the case is being continued in the meantime against his brother alone.

Mr. C. Guckman, Deputy State Attorney, prosecuting, alleged that the firm maintained "double books" — one book in which they registered all the sales and another which showed only a part of the total turnover of the firm. The latter was the only book submitted to the assessing officer when the firm made their returns for income tax. The books cover a period of four years.

As a result, the accused is now facing trial on counts of omitting income from his returns, making false statements, authorising the maintenance of false books of account, and making use of a fraud to avoid full payment of tax. After the accused, who is represented by Mr. A. Polonsky, had pleaded not guilty on all counts, the case was adjourned till next Tuesday.

Infanticide Case

TEL AVIV, Thursday (ITIM). — The skin of a new-born baby's neck was produced in the Magistrate's Court here today as evidence in the preliminary inquiry in which a 17-year old mother, and three of her relatives are accused of strangling the child. The relatives are the girl's father, Ya'acov Indian, and Menahem Yehoshua and Zadok Ma'adani.

Dr. M. Lowenthal, Hadassah Hospital pathologist, told how the body was found buried near the Holon suburbs where the accused live. The doctor testified that the child had been born alive and had been buried few days or two months before being found. The hearing was adjourned until March 19.

Histadrut to Study Its Office Efficiency

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — The Histadrut Executive today resolved to set up a special committee to examine the efficiency of its own offices and of local Labour Councils.

Negotiations for a 15% pay rise for manual workers in the urban of Palestine Electric Corporation employees are to begin shortly, following the decision of the Central Committee of the Histadrut Executive to demand a raise.

NAHARIYA BUDGET

NAHARIYA, Thursday. — The 1952/53 budget of IL.220,000 was presented to the Local Council here today. The estimates show an increase of eight per cent over the current budget and the coalition is asking for a 40 per cent increase in rates to cover it.

An extraordinary budget of IL.400,000 for development and public works is also due to be presented. The Centrists, which holds seven of the 11 Council seats, expects the budget to be accepted.

98 Per Cent Rise

RAMAT GAN, Thursday. — The Municipal Council decided here tonight to raise the general housing tax by 98 per cent, and the service tax by 50 per cent. Despite strong opposition from the Left, no change was made in the property tax.

Good Port Record

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — Pilferage in the Port here has been almost completely eliminated and the Port has one of the best records in this connection in the world, according to the customs police.

They said that the Port workers and foremen are a particularly reliable group. Another significant element is the close cooperation between the customs and civilian police.

Indians May Leave, If Papers in Order

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — Nothing would be done to hinder any Indian immigrant who wished to leave the country, provided his passport and visa were in order, a Jewish Agency spokesman told *The Post* today. A group of 140 Indian immigrants at Beersheba is demanding to be returned to India.

The spokesman said that one third of the original group had already expressed a willingness to remain in Israel. The others would be dealt with individually. Some difficulties had arisen, the spokesman added, in the case of those immigrants wishing to return who had arrived here without passports.

Another problem was posed by the case of newcomers from Pakistan who wanted to return, but whose Pakistan nominal sending in class back.

Sami Gronemann Dead at 77

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — The death occurred here today of Dr. Sami Gronemann, 77, jurist, author and playwright, who for many years was chairman of the Zionist Congress Court.

Dr. Gronemann suffered a heart attack last night and was taken to Dangoor Hospital here where he died this morning. He is survived by a sister in Israel.

The funeral will take place at 10 a.m. tomorrow (Friday).

Dr. Gronemann, a leading Zionist in Germany, attended most of the Zionist Congresses after 1897, where his genial and colourful personality made him universally popular.

His strong sense of humour and a marked gift for story-telling found expression in several widely read books which he published in Germany.

His autobiography, "Reminiscences of a Yekke", which appeared in Israel a few years ago, reflects his life-long fight for Zionism.

He came to Israel in 1933 and devoted himself mainly to writing plays which were produced by Ohel (King Solomon and the Cobbler), by Matate (Sketches on Profiteering), by Habimah (Heine Family) and by the Chamber Theatre (Queen of Sheba).

Born in March, 1875 at Strasburg, in Germany, he was educated at the Rabbinical Seminary and at the University of Berlin, in which city he became a well-known advocate, in partnership with Dr. Alfred Klee, another veteran Zionist leader.

Owing to the death of Mr. Sami Gronemann, the luncheon meeting of the B'nai B'rith Balfour Lodge, scheduled for today, Friday, has been cancelled.

40 Candles on Medical Association Cake

The Jerusalem Branch of the Israel Medical Association observed its 40th anniversary last night at a ceremony in the Y.M.C.A.

Professor S. Adler traced the role of medicine in the development of the country, while Dr. Z. Avigdori, Chairman of the Association's central committee, discussed organisational problems.

Drs. M. Wallach, M. Brachyehu, A. Ticho, A. Feigenbaum and M. Sherman recalled the early history of the Association.

Congratulatory speeches were made by representatives of the Municipality, Health Ministry, Kupat Holim and Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School. Dr. A. Rabinowitz, Chairman of the Jerusalem Branch, presided. Mr. A. Lampell played several selections on the organ.

COLLISION. — In a collision between two suburban passenger trains near Rossio station, Lisbon, yesterday, 47 persons were injured.

100 Years Cold War Possible — Kirk

SAN FRANCISCO, Thursday (Reuter). — Admiral Alan Kirk, former U.S. Ambassador in Moscow, said here that Russia believed the Soviet Union and the West might continue for one hundred years, but formal war was not a certainty.

Addressing members of the Commonwealth Club of California today, Admiral Kirk said there should be an immediate and long range programme to meet the Soviet threat. He recommended building Western military strength until it was equal to that of the Soviet Union. "If the Soviet Union is superior it will call the tune".

450 Delegates To Attend Moscow Meet

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). — About 450 delegates from Anglo-Saxon, Western European, Scandinavian, Near, Middle and Far East and Latin American countries will attend the Soviet Union's International Economic Conference next month, Moscow Radio reported.

Main object of the conference will be to enable industrialists, merchants, economists and trade union leaders to investigate the possibilities of solving the world's major economic problems.

U.S. Intervenes In Iran-World Bank Talks

TEHERAN, Thursday. — The U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Loy Henderson, conferred for over an hour with the Persian Premier, Dr. Mossadegh, today in what was believed to be a renewed U.S. attempt to prevent a breakdown in the oil negotiations with the International Bank.

The outlook was generally believed to be bleak since the Persians are dissatisfied with the price which the Bank is offering for the country's oil.

Dr. Mossadegh is reported to have informed the British Chargé d'Affaires, Mr. George Middleton, that Iran could, if necessary, get along without revenue from oil sources. (AFP, Reuter, UP)

Hurt in Explosion

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — While taking apart old explosive containers for use as scrap iron at a workshop in 2 Rehov Hazanovitch here today, Moshe Milzman, 40, was severely injured when, striking the containers, an explosion occurred.

An hour after being stolen in Tel Aviv last night, a Rassco truck crashed into Ezra Mizrahi's house at 14 Rehov Malan here. The wall collapsed and damage estimated at IL.300 was done to Mr. Mizrahi's furniture. The thief escaped.

A. Joseph, 43, of Gedera was seriously injured today by a hit-and-run lorry which struck him and his donkey on the Gedera-Mazniya highway.

Attlee Blames FDR For E-W Troubles

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). — The former Labour Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, yesterday blamed U.S. policy during the war for some of the conflicts that have since arisen with Russia.

Mr. Attlee, who was Deputy Prime Minister in the wartime coalition Cabinet, stated in an article in the monthly magazine "National and English Review," "we supported Russia wholeheartedly in her resistance to Hitler but we were under no illusions as to possible developments after the war."

The article criticised the way the American had opposed recognition of the Allied victories in Italy. The failure to press on with the attack from Italy led to the retirement of Central and South-Eastern Europe to the Russians. The same mistake was made later when American forces were halted and Czechoslovakia was not freed by the forces of democracy.

German Industry Now Exceeds Pre-War

Industrial production in Germany now by far exceeds its pre-war standard. A recent survey in "The Times" showed that, taking 1936 as basis (=100), the total production index was 148 in November 1951.

The list of main industries is headed by electric power (216), machinery, vehicles and ships (176), consumer goods (151), and only steel ingots (99) are slightly in arrears.

PURCHASE. — The Soviet Union purchased 270,000 francs worth of French silk, velvet and fancy ribbons in January.

Today's Post Bag

THE WEATHER

Pneumatic Company, Ltd., occasionally partly cloudy; possible strong easterly winds mainly in north. Outlook fair. Shabbat Shalom.

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750 sacks of potatoes and 54 tons of powdered milk are due in Haifa Port today from Sweden.

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Of the 2,313,677 crates of citrus fruit sent abroad as of Tuesday, 1,299,095 were bought by Britain. The Netherlands received 154,412 cases and Poland, Sweden, and Russia received 112,856, 111,513, and 107,308 crates, respectively.

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A 17-year old Gadna youth, Ya'acov Yadi, and a Gadna instructor, Mr. Yitzhak Bezanovitz, 21, both of Haifa, were slightly injured when they fell into a cistern in the Twin Caves, near Deir Abou, in the Jerusalem Corridor on Wednesday night.

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Claiming that the Paley newspaper and periodical distributing company refused to grant them basic rights and to sign an agreement with the Histadrut, the firm's 150 employees will consider future action at a meeting in Tel Aviv on Sunday.

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Kibbutz "Mavki'im" and its committee members were yesterday charged in the Tel Aviv Anti-Profiteering Tribunal with selling three calves without a permit.

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A tourist information office will be opened in Nazareth shortly.

PURIM HOLIDAY

All elementary schools will be closed on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, on the occasion of Purim, the Ministry of Education announced yesterday. Advanced and evening classes will not be held on Monday and Tuesday, except in Jerusalem, where they will close down on Tuesday and Wednesday.

TEL HAI DAY

Haganah veterans will meet at the grave of Yosef Trumpeldor at Tel Hai tomorrow, and will proclaim the day as an anniversary of the Haganah.

RENT LAW COMMITTEE

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — A nine-man committee, appointed in 1951 by the Minister of Justice to review the rent laws, has ended its deliberations, it is learned here. The report contains, inter alia, recommendations for a new law to protect tenants.

BUILDERS STRIKE POSTPONED

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — The strike of private builders, called for Sunday, was postponed at a special meeting of the National Executive of the Israel Building and Contractors Association here today. The strike had been urged to protest the allegedly unequal distribution of building materials.

An Association spokesman said the situation would be reviewed again on Tuesday when replies are expected from the Government.

Paper Had 4 Owners

TEL AVIV, Thursday (ITIM). — About 15,000 kilograms of silk and crepe paper, found a week ago in a store in Rehov Rosh Pina here, are now understood to have belonged to different clients who had brought the paper for cutting after the shop management had declared their stocks.

The owners of the shop were not detained, but the storekeeper was interrogated on the spot. About 4,000 feet of leather for shoe uppers, found in another store in Rehov Mizrahi 'B,' is now known to have been the property of a shoemaker, and not of the shop owner.

53202 Gets Prize

The first prize of IL.3,000 was won by No. 53202 in the Mandatory Bearer Bond drawing in the Ohel Shem Hall on Tuesday.

The other prizes were: IL.500 — 41149; IL.250 — 98037, 27707, and IL.100 — 55594, 84810, 39187, 90231, 7073, 74951, 13491, 89629, 24977 and 95403.

100,000 PAIRS OF SHOES

About 100,000 pairs of shoes will go on sale in a fortnight, the Ministry of Commerce announced yesterday.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM: Butter, 200 grams. Kof 43 Alagh: 100 grams. Zayin 41 Bet: 50 grams. Feh 41, Ayin 11 and Tet 11: Oil, Dairy and Fish, respectively.
HAIFA AND SAMARIA: Sick persons quot. 500 grams. Ale Gimel 5.

Home Gardens

That every family should raise vegetables for its own use on any bit of land available is the substance of a poster that is to appear today over the signature of the Minister of Agriculture and Development, Mr. Levi Eshkol.

A 100-square yard plot will supply enough fresh vegetables for a family, The Ministry and the Local Councils are ready to help with advice, seedlings, and other materials.

It is not certain that sufficient supplies of all vegetables will be available all this year, the poster says, although there was good hope that there would be an adequate amount of eggs and milk.

Mushroom Poisoning

HAIFA, Thursday. — A nine-year old boy, Uzi Segal, died in Government Hospital here this morning after having eaten poisonous mushrooms which he had picked on Saturday near his home in Even Yehuda village, near Nathanya. He was brought to hospital yesterday.

Long Term Credit

TEL AVIV, Thursday (ITIM). — A long term credit of IL.2m. has been granted to Municipal Councils and local authorities by the Palestine Discount Bank, according to an agreement between the Bank and the Ministries of Finance and Labour.

Tourist Held On Smuggling Charge

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — A tourist who allegedly attempted to smuggle five kilogrammes of gold jewellery into the country at Lydda Airport was detained today, according to the customs police. The jewellery was worth IL.20,000.

Documents concerning illegal money transfers involving several thousand pounds were also allegedly found on the tourist.

BREACH OF TRUST SUIT

TEL AVIV, Thursday (Itim). — A civil suit against Mr. Moshe Artzi, of Holon, former head of the Writing Materials Department of Shekem, was filed today in the District Court here. Mr. Artzi allegedly committed a breach of trust by stealing paper worth IL.1,200 when, in his official capacity, he removed the goods from the store for his own use. He is being sued for return of the goods or payment.

5 MARAUDERS KILLED

Five infiltrators were killed and 25 captured during the week ending March 6, an Army spokesman stated in Tel Aviv yesterday.

Personal Notices

MORNATH SOLOMONIDIS — ROSZI-RUTH SOLOMONIDIS (nee Steinberg)
MARRIED
Tel Aviv, March 4, 1952

We hereby announce the death, after a two days' illness, of our beloved
SAMI GRONEMANN
a few days before his 77th birthday.
The funeral will take place today at 10 a.m. from the Dangoor Hospital, 11 Rehov Gruzenberg, Tel Aviv.
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Cables in Brief

BOYCOTT. — The Egyptian Cabinet has approved the allocation of £E1,000 for the establishment of an office to organise the campaign of Egypt's boycott in association with other branches of the Arab countries, AMA reports.

BILL. — The Italian Senate yesterday passed a bill ordering that Italy's 2,000 state-licensed brothels be closed within six months of the bill becoming law; it is still to be passed by the Chamber.

HEART. — Hundreds of diplomats attended a memorial hospital in A. Bunche school yesterday to see a very sick person — a newborn baby with its heart exposed and pulsating outside the body. The child, a girl, lived — barely hours.

VISIT. — The departing Minister for External Affairs, Mr. Richard Casey, told the House of Representatives in Canberra on Wednesday that Mr. A.S. Watt, the Secretary of the Australian External Affairs Department, was leaving for South-East Asia for a visit of indefinite period to study the Communist position in the area.

ARREST. — A lieutenant colonel of the Indian army and a woman were arrested by Czechoslovak in Gottwaldov yesterday on charges of military and political espionage on behalf of Yugoslavia.

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The Working Week
Temperature Down—Prices Up
By S. Eliahu

ONCE the point is reached in the financing of a State where rising expenses cannot be cut down further, ways must be found to increase income without incurring debt.

THE BUDGET

This, in plainest language, is the position which the Treasury had to face in the preparation of the budget for the coming year. The Estimates submitted to the Knesset yesterday will, of course, have to be subjected to closer scrutiny, but at first sight it would appear that the declared aim of the Government (as an essential part of its new programme) to arrive at a genuine balance, has been achieved.

The fact that the new budget of IL.168m. exceeds last year's of IL.113m. by 55 million does not in itself conflict with a policy of utmost economy. Even a cursory examination reveals at once a number of structural changes which partly account for the increase. Inclusion of the full defence budget which now accounts for IL.45m. against 38m. last year, plus an unspecified share in the provision of IL.34m. for "security, development and special reserve," alone is enough to resolve the apparent conflict. The bulk of all other increases is explained by the inevitably growing demands on the services as a result of the rise in population, with education, health, and police together accounting for more than seven million. The rest must be attributed to the rising cost of living, as reflected in salaries and running expenses.

In the face of these large if unavoidable increases, it is scarcely surprising that harsh methods had to be applied in order to balance the budget. Obviously, there was no choice but to put the screw, mercilessly, on the income of the individual citizen. Income tax alone is to bring in no less than IL.47m., or 16 million more than last year; in view of the fact that revenue from this source amounted to only IL.20.4m. in the first nine months of 1951/52, the new estimate will have to be substantiated in the course of the budget debate. It is to be regretted that no recent income tax statistics are available to show the respective share of the various income groups, but there can be little doubt that, as officially stated last August, the main burden is borne by wage-earners and salaried employees. But income tax is only one item in the list of direct and indirect taxation and various fees, which add up to the formidable total of IL.138m. and include increases of six million each in customs duties and excise, and IL.11m. in purchase taxes. The extent to which this sharp rise in payments to the State must affect the great majority of households will be patent to all. The inevitable result for all but the comparatively few living on capital gain or undisclosed profits will be money barely enough for the necessities of life, and virtually nothing more.

This budget, then, is the high price the people of Israel have to pay for their share in the battle for economic independence which, in its first stage, must lead from inflation to deflation. Only production can give us a higher standard of living. Productivity thus becomes a matter of enlightened self-interest for every man and woman in the land. And there can be no question that the burden both of taxation and production must be shouldered by all, without evasion or discrimination.

WITH newspapers still cut below minimum, there was little room this week to note the extremely bad weather. People all over Israel and specially in Jerusalem often shivered, despite its being March. Thousands sneezed and sniffled and among the influenza casualties was Mr. D. Horowitz, Director General of the Ministry of Finance.

The first of the country's economic marshals to fall ill was the Finance Minister, Mr. Eliezer Kaplan, whom overstrain forced to take a few weeks' rest. As the date for presenting the Budget drew closer, it was decided that the Acting Minister of Finance, Mr. Peretz Naphtali, should do the honours. Though busy with the first meeting of the Economic Council, Mr. Naphtali began preparing his Budget speech. But when some of his staff entered the Minister's study they found that Mr. Naphtali had taken ill and had to be taken to hospital.

And again there was no one to pilot the new Budget. The Cabinet's suggestion was that the Minister of Communications, Mr. D. Z. Pinkas, should be the man as he is a banker by profession and served as chairman of the Finance Committee of the First Knesset, Mr. Pinkas, however, was too busy as he had to follow — and reply to — the Communications Debate in the Knesset. After the conclusion of the debate, Mr. Pinkas quickly left Jerusalem for a rest.

In the end it was Dr. Joseph, the Minister of Commerce and Industry, who presented the Budget and as yet he seems to have suffered no ill effects.

The 1952/53 ordinary budget totalling IL.168.5m., although IL.55m. higher than the 1951/52 budget, does not reflect the real ratio of increases in all prices, which went up again this week.

Price Trend

Reviewing the trend of prices of some basic commodities since 1949 it is seen that even eggs, milk and bread have gone up considerably, though it has always been the Government's policy to keep the prices of these commodities down as any increase strongly affects the Cost of Living Index.

There appears to have been a forced drop in 1949 when the austerity programme was introduced. As the doors of the country remained open to hundreds of thousands of immigrants and the process of the Items Department continued to roll, inflationary pressure constantly increased, and step by step the Government was forced to raise official prices. The largest increases have come, of course, in the past few weeks, following the introduction of the new rates of exchange.

Frozen meat sold at 360 pruta per kilo in 1948, but in 1949 dropped to 460 pruta and kept to that level till 1951, when the price rose to 480 pruta. Then last month when the NEP went into effect, the price rose again — this time to 700 pruta.

While practically the entire meat consumption has to be covered by imports, almost all the country's egg supply comes from local producers. But prices of eggs were stepped up with every rise in the prices of fodder. During the past two years there has been a 66 per cent increase in the top grade "Extras" — from 30 pruta in 1950 to 50 pruta today. The price of smaller eggs has increased by more than 100 per cent: the "gimel" grade which sold for 14 pruta in 1950, is 32 pruta today.

Similarly, milk increases were also linked to the price of fodder, but changes were often affected within the margin of 3 to 4 pruta. In 1948 a litre of milk cost 74 pruta. In early 1949 the price rose to 130 pruta, then was pressed down to 100 pruta, to increase again to 1951 to 128 and later to 150 pruta. The last increases in February brought the price to 180 pruta per litre.

The product least affected by the increases was bread. Standard (brown) bread cost 51 pruta in 1948, 45 pruta in 1949 and 50 in 1951 until the increases raised it to 55, 60 and finally to the present 66 pruta per loaf. White bread rose from 65 pruta in 1949 to 110 pruta today.

Because of the considerable increases since last month, the Histadrut has decided to ask the Manufacturers' Association to raise the C-o-L allowances as from March 15 rather than April 15 as was originally planned.

The Histadrut also started a fight for partial exemption of the new C-o-L allowances from taxation, demanding that the effect of added allowances on the taxability of salaries should be smaller. A maximum of 20 per cent income tax on additional C.-o-L. allowances was suggested. Any such change of policy could be enforced only with Knesset approval.

Restaurant Prices

Although the approved 15 per cent rise in the price of restaurant meals took effect yesterday, it was not clear how the increase was supposed to be retroactive to the first of the month. Restaurant owners, in any case, had been demanding — and getting — a higher price for meals — sometimes as much as 20 per cent — for the past week.

The real price of a meal, however, went up many months ago when portions began shrinking and quality deteriorating.

Restaurant diners have also been faced with the problem of getting the cheaper Standard meal. The Standard meal has become like a Lakot table or chair—almost impossible to get. Restaurant owners claim that the Standard meal has at its main course a portion of fish fillet, but since fillet has been hard to come by, so has the Standard meal.

"Eli says it is in inverse ratio to the new prices."

Economic Council

Last Sunday the newly established 34 member Economic Advisory Council held its first session in the Prime Minister's Office in Jerusalem. The Council, which will advise the Government on various economic and financial problems, plunged right into one of the most urgent issues: the problems of the credit policy. The Prime Minister, who is temporary Chairman of the Council, showed a very keen interest in the discussion. Although according to its statute the Council must meet only once in a fortnight, he urged the members to hold another meeting the following week.

The Council's membership includes representatives of trade and industry, in all their shadings. Sitting along the shiny black table of the conference room, they formed a very representative group of the different interests in our economic life: Mr. Hillel Dan, Director of the Histadrut-owned Solel Boneh, sitting opposite Mr. H. Moller, Director of the Ata textile factory (said to be the most efficient private industrial unit in Israel), Mr. Karl Ellern, of Ellern's Bank, and Mr. Bar Eli of the Workers Bank, together with representatives of the Arab cooperatives, Hamashbir, the private building contractors, the Chambers of Commerce, and the Manufacturers' Association.

Judging from its first meeting, the Council may really be able to help our economy to its feet, if the discussions continue to be earnest and factual. Some Government circles, however, see the possibility that each member may represent only the particular interests of his own branch or group. On the other hand, most Council members feel that the Council may be ruined if the Government tries to impose its will upon it or to use it as a body to "okay" Government policies.

The living spirit of the Council is the Minister for Economic Coordination, Mr. Peretz Naphtali, who was an outstanding member of the pre-Hitler "Reichs-Wirtschaftsrat" where he represented the German trade unions. The pompous Economic Council sitting in Berlin, however, became the developments of Germany, holding meetings only once in three months and arguing interminably over questions of agenda...

M.A.C.'s Tasks

In the cold, barren "big room" of the "Mission House" at Jerusalem's Mandelbaum Gate this week there was again a formal meeting of the Israel Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission. On the agenda: summary disposal of 72 mutual complaints, prolongation of the agreement on cooperation against infiltration and detailed arrangements for the meetings of local commanders.

After three years of meetings, the sessions of the MAC have become routine and are usually tedious unless some important incident is under discussion—then tempers begin to rise on both sides. But this does not often happen. For the most part both sides seem to have lost hope that the road to a permanent settlement may lead through the Mandelbaum Gate.

Colonel De Ridder sits at the head of the conference table. On his left is Israel's Sgan Aluf Shaul Ramati, drafting his proposals in a handwriting which he himself can scarcely decipher, but still alert for any possible double interpretation of each word to be recorded. Next to him sits Rav Seren Nutov, short, good humoured, with a strong Russian accent. He obviously prefers work in the fresh air along the borders. Next to him is Seren Mitkin, looking much more like a university student than an army officer.

On Col. De Ridder's right sits Jordan's Ahmed bey Toukan, a small, smiling gentleman, who possesses something of the spirit of a rich Levantine merchant who does not need the profit, but would not like to be outwitted by the other fellow. He wears a red "fez" which he places on the table in front of him together with a yellow-stoned rosary. Next to him sits tall black-haired Major Itshak bey, who looks the prototype of an Arab officer.

The issues discussed by these people sometimes hit the headlines: when they deal with an incident between the regular forces of both sides, such as the affair in the Wadi Araba last year. But the "headline-issues" are seldom the most important. An everyday meeting dealing with marauding may be much more vital, involving dozens of lives, and property amounting to tens of thousands of pounds. The MAC serves as a kind of buffer—it does not make much news as long as it fulfils its task.

Also this week immigration figures for February were released. Immigration last month reached a new low, the lowest since the establishment of the State: the total number of newcomers was only about 1,450. Mr. Y. Raphael, Head of the Immigration Department of the Jewish Agency, said that 5,000 immigrants will arrive in March, but the total figure for 1952 will be only 80-85,000 as compared with 200,000 in 1951.

VISITORS' GALLERY

Colour Expert

HOW two youthful musicians discovered the Kodachrome coloured film process was described by Mr. Leopold Godowsky, a passenger on the s.s. Independence. Mr. Godowsky and his wife were among the 397 tourists who visited Israel for three days this week when the American liner put in at Haifa.

Mr. Godowsky, son of the noted pianist, was once a promising violinist himself. Together with Mr. Leopold Mannes, also a musician and son of a musician, he dabbled in amateur photography as a hobby. "But we took it very seriously and our research work came to the attention of the Eastman Kodak Company, which invited us to work in their laboratories," Mr. Godowsky recalled.

"We achieved about [illegible] success and by 1935 our Kodachrome process was on the market. In later years we improved the process and developed several others. Mannes died some years ago. He has been music and I go to a laboratory all my life. I'm working on my own home projects. And I still manage to play some duets with my son, who is not a bad pianist."

Mr. Godowsky confirmed that there was also "a lot" of musical talent on his side of the family. He is the cousin of the late George Gershwin, famous London, Era, who wrote most of the tunes for George's music, is again busily at work in Hollywood after completing the film "An American in Paris."

This was Mr. Godowsky's third visit here. The first was 25 years ago when he accompanied his father on a concert tour. Mr. and Mrs. Godowsky also visited Israel three years ago. "You've probably heard this before," they said, "but the development we've seen has positively started up."

Readers' Letters

ARAB LEADER'S RECORD

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — In a recent press review of yours, one of your editors commented on what "Kol Ha'am" had published about Fuad Nassar, with the traditional mean remark that this leader of his people was a Mufti man and acted as a contact between the Palestine Communist Party and the Mufti. And in order to show an all embracing knowledge, this editor associated Cde. Nassar with the Rash'd Ali Kelani revolt in Iraq during 1941.

The history of this Communist leader is one of doubtless fighting against imperialism, its Arab and Jewish lackeys and for Arab-Jewish fraternity.

The liberation movement in Palestine saw him taking arms against the British in 1936 in the Hebron hills. With courage and devotion he fought the British colonial soldiers and not in one instant did he and the forces he led attack or fire at Jewish people.

When the Mufti, who in 1937/38 allied himself to the Nazi axis, wanted to perpetuate the fighting and direct it against the Jewish people, Fuad Nassar, already a commander, refused to direct his fire against the natural allies of his own people — the Jewish people.

Many Hebronites still live who remember the rumours about the various attempts made on Nassar's life by Mufti henchmen. At one time an attempt was foiled at the last minute when the hand of the assassin was on the trigger and the rifle was pointed to Nassar's head.

Many a time the British tried to arrest him and deliver him to the scaffold but the people protected him and finally smuggled him out of the country and after a period of roaming and flight he settled in Iraq, 1939.

In 1941 when Rashid Ali revolted, Fuad Nassar with other people of the opposition was arrested and while in prison declared a hunger strike that was an epic of perseverance and consistency. It lasted 19 days, and far from breaking his spirit it broke his enemies and they gave way before him.

A supporter of the anti-Fascist war he returned to Palestine and resumed his fight for the liberation of his country...

It was during this period of 1944 that he joined the National Liberation League, the organisation of the Arab Communists...

But possibly his foremost international stand still lives in the memory of those Jews who lived in the Jaffa-Tel Aviv border regions. In 1946 the British attempted to begin racial incidents there and hand and knife fighting started and spread; it was his initiative and the feverish activity of members of the National Liberation League and Trade Unionists under his leadership that rendered the vile attempt fruitless. He managed to bring calm to the area and a joint Arab-Jewish meeting cementing friendship and pledged to foil British intrigues.

At the beginning of 1948 Fuad Nassar issued his historic call to the soldiers of the armies of the Arab countries which invaded Palestine calling upon them to march back to their countries and fight imperialism and imperialist agents in their respective countries.

Fuad Nassar remained in Arab Palestine but even there he remained faithful to his Communist ideology and advocated in the Party's paper "Al-Mubawama ch-Sha'bieh" (People's Resistance) Arab-Jewish cooperation and fraternity.

He is now leader of the Jordanian fighters for peace and independence and to slander him is to serve the enemies of peace and independence.

Yours, etc.
EMILE HABIBI,
Chief Editor "Al-Ittihad"

Haifa.

ART NOTES

David Szabo

A ONE-MAN show of paintings and drawings by David Szabo was opened this week at Safrai's Art Gallery in Jaffa Road. David Szabo is a newcomer from Hungary, who got a sound schooling at a Budapest Art School. After a recent windfall, Szabo resigned his post as a government's messenger, bought paints for half of his money and has become a full-time artist, at least for as long as his money lasts: a bold decision but a well-founded one.

There can be no doubt that Szabo has the makings of an excellent painter. His two "Self-Portraits," the "Boy in the Red Vest," or the "Head," courageously clutched with brick-red lights, would stand out in any Jerusalem exhibition. There is a manly grasp of form, colour and composition. Equally satisfactory in colour are Szabo's landscapes in oil or gouache. They have the charm and pleasing texture of French post-impressionism, but lack depth and the sure feeling for form seen in the heads.

Of the compositions, the "Still Life with a Palette" is my choice. An interesting sketch, although it is not yet a picture. This is typical of many of Szabo's works.

Besides the paintings there are many fine drawings, but all sketches. One looks forward to what Szabo will show after his projected spell as a "true painter", and hopes that he will be able to prolong this period by selling some of his decorative and low-priced sketches. This lad is so promising that buying his pictures even now may prove to be a sound speculation. He deserves the benevolent interest of artists like Aschheim or Sima.

Th. F.M.

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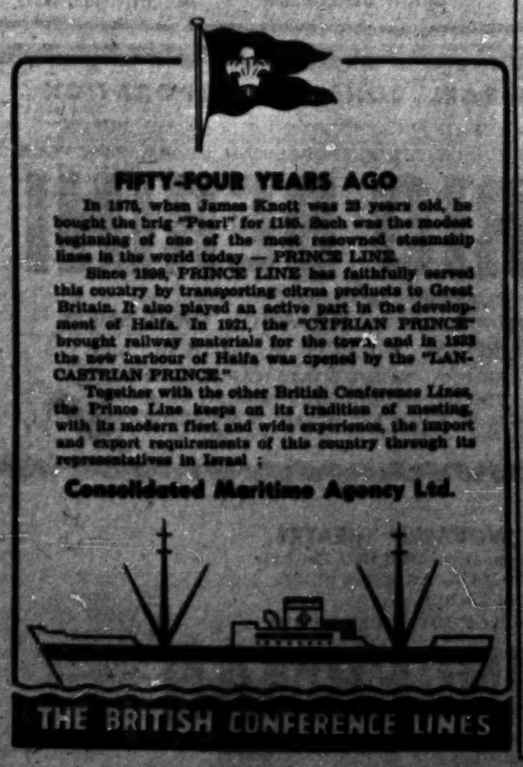

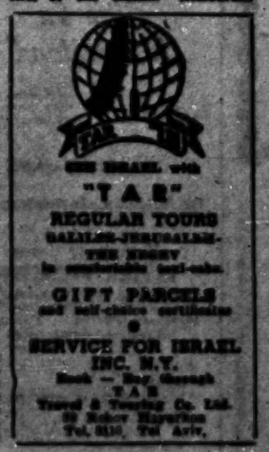

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DEFENCE SERVICE LAW, 1949

ORDER TO REPORT FOR MEDICAL EXAMINATION

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Interpretation
1. A "permanent resident" in this Order means—a woman, whose permanent place of residence falls under the jurisdiction of the State of Israel Laws, and who was born between March 17, 1934 and September 9, 1934, both dates inclusive—excepting a married woman, a mother or a pregnant woman.

Reporting for Determination of Health Category
2. Every permanent resident is hereby called upon to report for medical examination in order to determine her health category for Defence Service, at one of the places listed in Table I, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, on the date indicated on Table II, opposite the initial letter of her surname.

Title
3. This Order will be called "Order for Defence Service (Call up for Medical Examination) (No. 4), 1952."

TABLE I

1. Jerusalem —	Recruiting Office, Darouti Bldg, near Barclays Bank
2. Tel Aviv-Jaffa —	Recruiting Office, 7 Boustros St., Jaffa
3. Ramat Gan —	Recruiting Office, Rehov Arlosoroff, corner of Rehov Hahashmona'im
4. Hadera —	Recruiting Office, Kupat Holim Lane, near General Labour Exchange.
5. Haifa —	Recruiting Office, 32 Rehov Mukhlis.
6. Affula —	Recruiting Office, Rehov Yehoshua, opposite Solel Boneh.
7. Tiberias —	Recruiting Office, Kiryat Shmuel.
8. Rehovot —	Recruiting Office, Rehov Batia Makov.
9. Lydda —	Recruiting Office, No. 42, Rehov Heh, Hanoar Haoved Bldg.
10. Beersheba	Recruiting Office, Main Road.

TABLE II

Aleph—Bet	Wednesday or Thursday, March 12-13, 1952
Gimmel—Dalet	Wednesday or Thursday, March 19-20, 1952
Heh—Vav	Wednesday, March 26, 1952
Zayin—Het	Thursday, March 27, 1952
Tet—Yod	Wednesday or Thursday, April 2-3, 1952
Kaf	Thursday, April 17, 1952
Lammed—Mem	Wednesday or Thursday, April 23-24, 1952
Nun—Zameh	Tuesday or Wednesday, March 6-7, 1952
Ayin—Peh	Thursday, May 8, 1952
Zaddi—Kof	Sunday or Monday, May 11-12, 1952
Resh—Shin	Tuesday or Wednesday, May 13-14, 1952
Tav	Thursday, May 15, 1952.

Every woman, as stated above, failing to comply with this Order will be liable, in accordance with Para 16 (A) of the Defence Service Law, 1949, to imprisonment of up to two years or to a fine of up to IL.500, or both.

Every woman reporting for registration should bring along two photographs (size 4 x 6 cm.), and Identity Card (or Registration Voucher).

(Sgd.) ARON NIV,
RECRUITING OFFICER

February 29, 1952. No. 197

DEFENCE SERVICE LAW, 1949

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8. Rehovot	Recruiting Office, Rehov Batia Makov.
9. Lydda	Recruiting Office, No. 42, Rehov "Heh", Hanoar Haoved Building.
10. Beersheba	Recruiting Office, Main Road.

TABLE II

Aleph—Bet	Sunday, March 9, 1952
Gimmel—Dalet	Monday or Tuesday, March 10-11, 1952
Heh—Vav	Sunday, March 16, 1952
Zayin—Het	Monday or Tuesday, March 17-18, 1952
Tet—Yod	Sunday, March 23, 1952
Kaf	Monday or Tuesday, March 24-25, 1952
Lammed—Mem	Sunday or Monday, March 30-31, 1952
Nun—Samech	Tuesday, April 1, 1952
Ayin—Ayin	Sunday, April 6, 1952
Samech—Ayin	Monday or Tuesday, April 7-8, 1952
Peh—Zaddi	Sunday, April 20, 1952
Kof	Monday or Tuesday, April 21-22, 1952
Resh	Sunday, April 27, 1952
Shin	Monday or Tuesday, April 28-29, 1952
Shin—Tav	Sunday or Monday, May 4-5, 1952

Every man, as stated above, who fails to comply with this Order, will be liable, in accordance with Para 16 (A) of the Defence Service Law, 1949, to imprisonment of up to two years or to a fine of up to IL.500, or both.

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MOSHE SHARETT

An Observer Profile

BEHIND and mixed up with the present dispute between Britain and Egypt lies the inextricable problem of Israel and the Arabs. If Egypt, claiming the leadership of the Arab States, had not suffered a humiliating military defeat at the hands of Israel, it is at least doubtful whether her present mood would be so explosively emotional. If Israel did not now exist, apparently a perpetual and festering thorn in the flesh of the Arab world, the Middle East would be a quieter and easier and more defensible area than it is today. But Israel does lustily exist, and while her present Foreign Minister has a large share of responsibility for the creation and survival of the new State, he is also the one, and the only, Israel leader who might eventually achieve harmonious relations between Jew and Arab.

Moshe Sharett, who is now visiting this country, is in many ways the advance prototype of the Israel citizen: his qualities and his inherent ideas are those which Israel must acquire if that disturbed and uneasy community is to achieve political and psychological stability. For Sharett has a unique understanding of Israel's *geographical* role. He takes it for granted that his country's standards of life must be Western ones, but he is emphatic that her position is an Eastern one, surrounded by Arabs and incorporating a considerable Arab minority within her frontiers.

Turkish Officer

The first map Moshe Shertok ever saw (he hebrewed his name to Sharett "to serve"—only in 1950) was a wall-map of Palestine, hanging in his father's study. This was far away and long ago—in the Russian town of Kherson, near Odessa, and in the year 1899, when Moshe was three years old. His father was an intellectual, the translator of Josephus, and a dreamer of Palestinian dreams fifteen years before Moshe was born. From the study wall the map of the Promised Land must have dominated that restless household, for at the age of five Moshe was already learning Hebrew, and he already understood that the country of his birth was not, and never would be, his home.

When he came to Israel in 1906, young Shertok was sent to the first Hebrew High School to be founded in Palestine. There he remained, the cause of a Zionist Labour Group, until he was 17. But his peculiar home life was so important for his later development as was the vigorous intellectual life of Tel Aviv. His father had acquired land in the hills of Samaria, and, with his kind, a number of Arab tenants.

Inevitably there was some social contact between landlord and tenants, but it seems that personal relations were good, and that in those early and gentle days there was no racial animosity at all. Moshe Shertok learned to speak fluent Arabic, and learned to know and respect the Arab tenants, even if, with his robust progressive mind, he found it impossible to respect their methods of farming.

A curious interlude followed. Young Shertok was sent — the decision was taken by his High School group and he willingly accorded it the right of decision — to study at the University of Constantinople. When his studies there were interrupted by the war, he became an officer in the Turkish Army, and fought on the Macedonian front and against the Arab irregulars of Colonel Lawrence.

But in spite of this odd and accidental hostility, in spite of all the bitterness of 1945 to 1948, in spite of his own imprisonment by the British for several weeks of 1946, Sharett has remained a friend and an admirer of Britain. He first acquired this friendship after the first World War, where he spent five years at the London School of Economics in its confident hey-day under Sidney Webb and Graham Wallace. There, an excited witness of the election of the first Labour Government in 1923, he became not only a convinced and erudite Socialist but also a Socialist of a peculiarly English kind. And this he has remained.

For the last quarter of a century the life of Moshe Sharett has been an important part of that hard and devious progress which eventually transformed Jewish Palestine into the nation-State of Israel. There was a relatively happy period to begin with—happy, at least, in the relations between the British and the Jews, for it included the unhappy and difficult years of the Arab revolt. Sir Arthur Wauchope was the British High Commissioner, a man who is still remembered with affection by the older immigrants and whose relations with the Jewish Agency were frank and cordial. Wingate's Jewish night-fighters, whatever may be thought of their methods, were cementing a bond which was only broken, harshly and abruptly, by the publication of the British White Paper of 1939.

Something of Sharett's singleness of purpose is shown by his reactions to that embittering event. A few months after it he flew to London to offer the cooperation of Palestine's Jews against what clearly remained the greater enemy, Hitler's Germany. Others thought differently — more fanatically and far less clearly. For them, Britain was the enemy, on the spot, and cooperation with the occupying forces was little better than treachery to the cause of Zionism.

It was not an easy time for Sharett, since he had to face not only these enemies at home but also the wounding refusal of the British authorities to allow Palestinian Jews to join in a struggle which was so peculiarly their own. It was not until 1943 that Sharett and the more realistic British military authorities overcame the British political fear of arming a "subject" and potentially fractious people. But the Jewish Brigade was formed at last, and much of the credit for its formation lay with Moshe Sharett.

The bitterest years followed. Sharett and the other leaders of the Jewish Agency were arrested on suspicion of condoning terrorism. The Mandate dragged its way to its awkward end; the war of liberation was fought against the Arab States; and out of all that confusion Shertok emerged as Sharett, to serve as the first Foreign Minister of the new State.

Self-Assured

Nobody doubts his ability; nobody who has met him can doubt his charm. In physiognomy alone one might say that he looks a little like Charlie Chaplin, but in manner and expression he is good-humouredly vivacious, robustly self-confident; he is not at all the "little man" which Chaplin presents.

He has been criticized for his loquacity, and some visitors have been dumbfounded by the irresistible stream of what tends to be, perhaps, too one-sided a conversation. This fault derives from a bouncing self-assurance which has sometimes alienated visitors, and may cause some dismay to the British officials whom he meets in this country. Yet it is unlikely that anyone could be seriously offended, for there is a disarming *naïvete* about the joy he takes in talking, and particularly in talking a language which a visitor could not have expected him to know.

He is proud of his origins, and even amiably chauvinistic when he talks about the high quality of Russian Jews. He is doubtless proud, too, of his achievements and of the fact that he has become one of the three individuals who are institutions in Israel. (The other two, also Russian Jews, are President Weizmann, and the Prime Minister, Mr. Ben Gurion.) It seems likely that this cheerful and able intellectual will be one of the dominant political figures in Israel for some years to come, and we can at least hope that his genuine good-will towards the Arabs will be rewarded by happier future relations.

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Constitution In The Making

HUKKAT HAMEDINA (Constitution of the State). Government Printer. 115pp. 750 prutot.

The record of the debate held sporadically over four-and-a-half months in the First Knesset on the question of a Constitution for Israel has been compiled into a single volume by Mr. D. B. Shrira, editor of "Divrei Hakneseset." The record includes a report on the deliberations of the parliamentary Legislation Committee which was conveyed to the Knesset by the committee chairman, Dr. Nahum Nir. It also includes speeches by 40 members.

The preface traces the history of the question since the Va'ad Leumi appointed a Committee to draft a Constitution in 1947, before the U.N. voted to create a Jewish State. Recalling that the debate ended in a vote delegating the Legislation Committee to draft a constitution article by article and to bring them successively to the Knesset for approval, the editor lists 30 enactments which are of a constitutional nature. Both as a historical record and as material for future discussions, this account is most useful.

M.B.

Life and Letters

Light Travels Faster

A precision instrument for calculating geodetic distance has been designed by Dr. Erik Bergstrand in collaboration with engineers of the AGA Company, Stockholm. The exactitude of the instrument is so great that scientists have found it necessary to revise the hitherto accepted figure of the speed of light from 299,776 km. per second to 299,793.1 km. with a possible deviation of 0.70.

The Two Republics

The news that the 150th anniversary of Victor Hugo's birth was celebrated in Soviet Russia is not without significance, when it is recalled that in his historic election appeal of June, 1848, the poet-politician drew a sharp line between a "red" and a "free republic." Denouncing in pungent language the disadvantages of the former, he concluded his appeal with the words: "The one stands for civilization, the other for terror."

Catalogue of Hebrew MSS.

A complete catalogue of all existing Hebrew manuscripts is being prepared by the Semitics department of Columbia University, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency reports from New York. The publication which will comprise some 50,000 manuscripts in public or private ownership throughout the world, is being financed privately and is expected to be completed in nine years.

THE AMERICAN SCENE: DIXIECRATS' THREAT

Republicans' Choice: 'Ike' or Taft

By KENNETH HARRIS

WASHINGTON.

RESPONSIBLE American citizens, whether Democrats or Republicans, could not have had a very enjoyable breakfast when they read in the same morning newspaper that (a) in the second major foreign policy speech of his campaign, would-be President Robert Taft made another uncompromising demand that General Chiang Kai Shek be assisted by Americans to invade the Chinese mainland and re-establish his Government and (b) according to the latest polls, whereas a month ago General "Ike" Eisenhower was easily the Presidential favourite among Republican voters up and down the country, he and Taft are now running neck and neck, each with 33 per cent of the poll in his favour.

General MacArthur is the third choice, with 14 per cent. The other aspirants, including the moderate and liberal-minded Earl Warren, Governor of California, are just nowhere.

To do General MacArthur justice, those people who follow him are for him with the kind of devoted loyalty which will cause them to do what they are asked without question. So if General MacArthur were to ask his 14 per cent to plump for Taft, that would give the "let-Chiang-loose-boys" a snappy 47 per cent.

However of the so-called independent voters polled by Gallup only 14 per cent favoured Taft while 42 per cent favoured Eisenhower. Taft was only just ahead of Warren. Even more significant, whereas Taft has lost ground slightly with the independent voter, Eisenhower has added ten per cent to the vote he got from them in December. The Republicans know one thing very well. They have no chance of winning the Presidential elections unless they can capture the bulk of the independent vote.

Meanwhile another Democratic hat has been tossed into the ring in the contest for the Presidency, bringing the total of both Democrats and Republicans so far to seven.

Of the Republicans, only Eisenhower, Taft, Warren and Mr. Harold Stassen, President of the University of Pennsylvania, are definitely known to be "available."

Senator Henry Cabot Lodge Jr. starts the rally for the candidacy of Eisenhower standing behind a life size portrait of the General in civilian clothes. —Express Photo.

For the Democrats, there are President Truman—a President is always assumed to be a candidate for re-election unless he says that he will definitely not seek re-nomination; Senator Estes Kefauver and, now, Senator Richard Russell of the State of Georgia.

Apart from the fact that he was a Democrat Party candidate in 1948, Russell's main claim to fame is as chairman of the Senate committee which investigated last spring the dismissal of General Douglas MacArthur from the post of Supreme Commander, Allied Powers in Japan.

Dixiecrat Candidate

Senator Russell occupies a very interesting position in American politics. Georgia is prominent among the Southern ("Dixiecrat") States which, though Democrat, are much more conservative than the rest of the Democrat States. In the 1948 election, Senator Russell was put up by the Dixiecrats as a candidate for the Democrat Party nomination, the Dixiecrats being opposed to the candidacy of President Truman, partly because they thought his Government spent too much money on foreign aid and social services, and partly because they disliked his civil and racial rights policies. They talked a great deal about setting up a Southern Party in the elections to take on both the Democrats and the Republicans if Mr. Truman became the Democratic candidate again. When he did become the Democratic candidate again, however, only four of the eleven Southern States actually "walked out" on the Democratic Party, and Georgia was not among them.

The big question this year is: Will Senator Russell merely do what he did last time—offer himself as Democratic candidate and, if he is refused the nomination, remain loyal to the Party—or will he this time decide to run as a third-party candidate? This year, some of the Southern States are even more bitterly opposed than they were in 1948 to Mr. Truman and to a Democratic programme which they claim is too expensive and too radical for Southern pockets and principles. They will make a tremendous bid to persuade "Dick" Russell to lead perhaps as many as eight or nine of the Southern States out of the Truman camp, to run in the elections as a separate Party.

The Southern Democrats cannot hope to win the elections for themselves. But if they run as a separate Party they can prevent both the Republicans and the Democrats from getting a majority of the votes, and so cause the choice of President to be determined by the House of Representatives, where the Southern vote would be the deciding factor; and in return for giving the result to the Democrats, the Southerners could demand virtually their own price.

"Scandals" and Votes

The tactics of all candidates running against the official Democratic Party make it clear that "domestic scandals," "Government corruption" or whatever you like to call it will be a major, perhaps the main, issue in the elections. What everybody would like to know, however, is what amount of effect the issue will have, not on what the candidates say, but upon what the voters do.

Those people, either in or outside America, who think this issue will result in the Republicans winning the elections should remember that much of the people's anger at the Washington scandals is not so much directed towards the Democratic Party but towards Washington government in general; and that anyway it is the Democrats, not the Republicans, who, under men like Kefauver and Fulbright, have initiated all the investigations.

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Letters from the Front

By J.M. LASK

FRATRES: CLUB BOYS IN UNIFORM. An Anthology compiled by Basil L.Q. Henriques. Secker and Warburg. London. 214 pp. 12/6.

When the Jews poured out of Czarist Russia in the Eighties of the last century, the stream that came to London caused much heart-searching to the Jewish communities that were already established there. The newcomers spoke a different language, Yiddish. They lived at a far lower economic level, and circumstances compelled most of them to work in secondary or tertiary industries. And whether orthodox or Socialist or Anarchist or Zionist, their intense cultural and intellectual interests were vastly different from those Anglo-Jewry was accustomed to. It could be annoyed by them, it could be ashamed of their uncouthness; but it could not condescend to them.

Boys' Clubs

The position was different with the children of the immigrants. Fathers and mothers who spent at least 12 hours a day in the sweatshops had little time for their families, and the requirements of the English Compulsory Education law caused the children to grow up in English, a language the parents never fully understood in those days. The Hebrew school system of Whitechapel was then still woefully inadequate, reproducing all the worst and few of the good effects of traditional *heder* education. It was at this point, therefore, that Anglo-Jewry stepped in and opened a large number of Jewish Boys' Clubs all over the East End, while Colonel Goldsmid established the Jewish Lads' Brigade; all of them with the object of turning the young East-Ender into a good Englishman of the Jewish faith. One remembers the Brady Street Club and the Victoria Boys' Club, which afterwards blossomed into the Old Victorians.

Sports and Boxing

The Clubs went in largely for sports and boxing. There was a kind of uneasy truce between the club managers and the parents of the youngsters. The latter were all orthodox in the East European, often the Hassidic, fashion, but there appears to have been a tendency to let sleeping dogs lie.

Into this milieu in the year 1914 when immigration had stopped, came a young fellow belonging to one of the older Sephardic families of England, imbued with a will to do much good to his fellow Jews and with the feeling that he had a spiritual message for them. This was Basil L.Q. Henriques, a man of the highest spiritual integrity, who had been introduced to Jewish religion by Claude Montefiore. Had Montefiore been a Lurianic Kabbalist or Czortkow Hassid, Henriques would probably have followed him. But Montefiore left such vagaries to Solomon Schechter, and adapted a version of German and American Reform Judaism which he called Liberal Judaism; a praiseworthy attempt of significance to Jews who came directly or at one remove from Germany, but meaning singularly little to those from beyond the Oder and Elbe, or the Danube and Vistula basins.

However, it was this variety of Judaism which Henriques set out to introduce into Whitechapel through what was the last of the Boys' Clubs, which he patterned on a similar institution in Bermondsey. During the Twenties his Club found adequate quarters thanks to the approval of the present Duke of Windsor, followed by a generous donation from Bernhard Baron, the cigarette millionaire. By 1939 the St. George's Jewish Settlement, as it had become, had a membership of 3,300 of all ages and both sexes.

Personal Problems

During the First World War the Club had issued a magazine of its own called "Fratres" for the benefit of members on active service. This practice was revived in the Second World War, during which 58 issues were published. In all, Mr. Henriques relates, there were 1,300 closely printed pages. These were composed of extracts from letters by members, with replies by the editor. Out of all these Mr. Henriques has now compiled an anthology with an introduction of almost 40 pages.

It makes very interesting reading to one who was born and brought up in the area; and who has family connections with the site in Berners Street on which the St. George's Settlement now stands. What surprises me, however, is the very small amount of space devoted here to the effects of the extermination of European Jewry on members in the British Services. For to the best of my knowledge, Anglo-Jewry and particularly its younger members were at least as much affected as other Jews elsewhere.

The letter writers were very concerned with Anti-Semitism and the problems of assimilation, we learn from these pages. Developments in Palestine are quoted insofar as they caused personal inconvenience to men in the ranks. The members were as imbued with the hopes of a better world as were other thinking combatants during the Second World War.

All in all, one is left with the impression of a rather grave group of folk trying to puzzle things out for themselves under the guidance of a devoted leader who held very definite views on the essence of Judaism.

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From JESSE ZEL LURIE February 27.

ANOTHER distinguished liberal has been added to the ranks of those detained at Ellis Island. "The Nation," which is directly involved, comments briefly in its current issue:

"When J. Alvarez del Vayo, 'The Nation's' foreign editor, and his wife returned from Europe on Friday, February 8, they were taken direct from the pier to Ellis Island. There they were held incommunicado until the following Monday evening. During their detention they were not permitted any communication with publisher or counsel. They were not advised of any charges against them, and when they were finally released, 'on parole,' they still had no idea of the cause of their detention.

"Mr. del Vayo, who was Foreign Minister of Spain's last republican government, came to the United States in 1940 and three years later was granted permanent resident status. As foreign editor of 'The Nation' and an accredited United Nations correspondent, he has visited Europe every year since 1945, writing on post-war developments, with full freedom of exit and re-entry. When he arrived in New York last week, on the French liner Liberte, after covering the sessions of the General Assembly in Paris, both he and his wife carried validated re-entry permits given them before they left the country in August."

Weekly's Theory

The "New Republic," only rival of "The Nation" in the liberal weekly field (both are staunch supporters of Truman's foreign policy) adds the information that Mr. del Vayo "is accredited as a journalist to the UN, a member of the UN Correspondents' Association; under the 'headquarters agreement' ngtween the UN and the US State Department, accredited correspondents are supposed to be free from interference.

But the "New Republic" has a theory to explain the cavalier treatment of a former diplomat and ally. It asks: "What caused his astonishing treatment, beyond the bungling ineptitude of the McCarran Act, which is arousing such ill-will to the U.S. throughout the world? We do not know; but it is easy to hazard a guess. The Truman Administration is at present playing 'footie' with Franco; and Franco, naturally, would dearly love to get his hands on Mr. del Vayo or failing that, to cause him as much trouble as possible."

The "New Republic" follows its editorial on del Vayo with a resume of the criticism of the passport policy of the State Department by the American Civil Liberties Union made public a few days ago. Going far beyond the well-publicized cases of the denial of passports to known Communists or fellow travellers such as Paul Robeson, the noted Negro singer, the ACLU cites several cases "tending to show the administration of the passport department by Mrs. Ruth B. Shipley, its head, is often arbitrary and unreasonable.

"In one instance a naturalized citizen, a free-lance writer living in France had his passport revoked apparently on the sole ground that she had written an apparently above the footie-minded Mr. Ho Chi Minh's Government in South Asia. A Soviet Trotskyite, now a noted anti-Communist author of several anti-Communist books, was refused a passport because the State Department apparently could not distinguish between a Trotskyite and a Stalinist and had never heard of this man's anti-Communist writings of recent years. He was offered a passport if he would prove repentance by revealing the names of his former Communist associates!

"In an effort to clarify the legal situation, the ACLU has started action in the Federal District Court in Washington on behalf of the first individual claimant, above. Miss Anne Bancroft, charging that the action taken against her violates the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution, which guarantees due process of law. Obviously, this whole situation urgently needs the cast of public consideration the ACLU is trying to bring about."

The Yale Law Journal in its current issue takes an even stronger stand than the ACLU and states categorically that all passport denials are unconstitutional. The stated reasons of Mrs. Shipley's Department are to deny American residents the opportunity to say abroad what they can say at home and this is an abrogation of the constitutional right of free speech according to the best legal minds of Yale University.

The Yale lawyers have unearthed an even stranger case than those cited by the ACLU. This concerns a writer who was denied a passport for a trip to Italy because the Department felt that his reports would not be "constructive." After a series of consultations in Washington, the writer is reported to have been cowed into a promise to write "constructively" according to the Department's definition of that term, but he is still waiting for his precious passport.

The ACLU wants an Act of Congress to make issuance of a passport mandatory. Congress, which passed the McCarran Act, is unlikely to repeal that law and pass a better one. The eventual solution must lie with the Supreme Court.

THEATRE NOTES

Drama of the Bible

"Tamar Wife of Er" by Yigal Mossensohn, directed by Moshe Halevy for the Ohel Theatre.

NOTHING in the previous works of Yigal Mossensohn prepared us for the intelligent, imaginative and ingenious drama which is currently being played by the Ohel Theatre. "Tamar the Wife of Er" is an interpretation of a Bible story which fires the imagination of everyone who reads this short chapter in Genesis. As presented by Mr. Mossensohn, the story takes on a human and understandable quality which the brief and dramatically cryptic lines in the Bible merely indicate.

The primitive and savage passions of the sons of Jacob, their tribal customs and taboos, are the basis of the play. Er and Onan, the weak and unhappy sons of Judah, love Tamar with a passion which leads to their destruction. Tamar loves Judah, the father, and it is this love, which Judah returns but does not acknowledge; that explains the strange story of the veiled courtesan who sought out Judah and thus became the mother of the House of David. The various complications are motivated primarily by the jealousy of Bath Shua, the wife of Judah.

Yigal Mossensohn's interpretation is psychologically sound and humanly understandable. He makes the figures vital and alive.

Moshe Halevy, who directed the play, fully understands the author's intention and point of view. He has not, however, taken full advantage of the highly dramatic quality of the story. Some scenes could have been cut and often understatement rather than overstatement would have been more effective. The play is so long that it becomes a little tiresome.

The casting of Leah Degani in the part of Tamar is questionable. As were dramatic reading of a highly charged part made the unhappy Tamar less sympathetic than she should have been. Yaacov Cassuto was an impressive if weak and vacillating Judah. Yaacov Rimmon was more than sufficiently vengeful as Shaua, but he managed to bring a measure of reality to the character.

Avraham Halil, who wrote the songs for the play, was a welcome relief as Zovadiah, the slave. Bath Shua was played by Devorah Kenslasiev and the two sons Er and Onan, by Gershon Fabrosen and Shlomo Bassan.

The settings by Gusta Berger, while not colourful or exciting, were workmanlike and acceptable. The dance arrangements and movements of the slaves were well directed by Rahel Nadav.

IDA DAVIDOWITZ

Champion of Modern Music

ON March 10, the world of music will honour the 60th birthday of Arthur Honegger, French composer and eloquent advocate of modern music.

In his efforts on behalf of the International Confederation of Authors' Societies, Arthur Honegger fights against a prejudice that music must be at least a century old if it is to be listened to, enjoyed and "understood."

Why is musical taste condemned to belong to the past? he asks. Books by contemporary writers are much easier to read and plays by modern authors are listened to more willingly than the classics. It should be the same at the opera or the concert.

Modern compositions should form the basis of programmes, just as the most up-to-date luxury works are given first place in bookshop windows and the latest paintings are hung prominently in art galleries. Less frequent, but always first-class outlets would enable the masterpieces of the past to retain their prestige, and their splendour would not be tarnished through over-playing—sometimes without proper respect. Would not this be a finer expression of love for music than pouring yet three concerts every Sunday—sometimes without rehearsal!

Honegger's own musical contribution includes such masterpieces as King David, Summer Pastoral, The Song of Nigamon, Pacific 231, Rugby, Judith, Antigone, Horace Victorious, Joan of Arc at the Stake, the Dance of Death, Christopher Columbus, St. Francis of Assisi, and five symphonies. (UNESCO)

Honegger. From a portrait by Amier

STAR-GAZING

DURING this month, Jupiter, the biggest of the planets, bids us farewell. The time it can be seen in the evening sky is becoming shorter from day to day, and it will disappear entirely at the end of March.

At the very hour of Jupiter's setting, Saturn rises in the east. Not much smaller than Jupiter, its apparent brightness is considerably less, as it is further from us and from the sun. At present Saturn can be found near Spica, the brightest star in the constellation of Virgo. The scientific name of Spica is Alpha Virginis. The stars are named by Greek letters and the Latin name of their constellations. The letters are generally arranged according to their brightness or "magnitude," the brightest star being called Alpha, the second Beta etc. There is a conspicuous difference in the look of Saturn and Spica: the latter emits a blue-white scintillating light, while Saturn shines with a yellow, steady light, essentially brighter.

Degrees of Magnitude

The Greek astronomer Hipparchos classified the visible stars in six classes of magnitude (which has nothing to do with the size of the star), the first class for the brightest, the sixth for the faintest stars visible to the naked eye. This classification has, in principle, been retained but now there is also a decimal subdivision between each class and of course new classes have been added for stars seen only through a telescope. Spica has a 1.2 magnitude, and Saturn, whose magnitude varies, with its distance from the earth, has 0.6 during March. Stars brighter than first magnitude, e.g. Venus and most other planets, are nominated by zero and negative magnitudes.

At mid-month, Mars will rise shortly after 10 p.m. It is fast approaching the earth, its magnitude increasing from +0.1 to —0.7. Mars can easily be identified by its red light.

The constellations of Orion and Gemini (the twins), which brighten the winter sky, retreat this month to the western heavens; in the south-east can be seen the large trapezium of Leo, the lion. Venus can be seen in the morning but as it nears the sun, its visibility will shorten from day to day.

JOSEF SMOIRA

Radio Review

Amateurs' Chance

MANY new features are appearing on Kol Yisrael. The Second Programme offers History of Music, Science News, a serial story and Agriculture for All. The First Programme, by accident or design, has given us a Press Conference with the Minister of Communications which was immediately followed by Ezekiel's Vision of the Chariot. A pleasant game for Purim would be to imagine similar juxtapositions with the daily Bible reading; the report for fishermen followed by the Book of Jonah or the week's rations followed by the Vision of the Dry Bones.

One new programme that has been given its initial airing without conspicuous success is 'Amateur Hour.' This is a popular feature in other countries and is potentially an invaluable programme for discovering fresh talent. However it needs a great deal of preliminary work and discrimination. Many of the participants in the first programme should not have been allowed on the air.

'Amateur Hour' should be a challenge to its producer. It is not enough to enlist Mr. X. who whistles at work or Miss Y. who recites whenever her mother gives an 'At Home.' Talent scouts should be on the look-out for promising material, while the producer himself should be rigid in his screening of the contestants. I had the feeling that this was just another feature taken on by the already overworked staff of Kol Yisrael—and that this was the explanation of its failure. A special producer should be assigned to organize this feature and he should not be encumbered at the same time with a dozen other productions. A further safeguard would be to record the programme in advance. The participants might be less nervous if they felt they were not broadcasting directly.

More attention should be paid to the choice of emergency records. The other day something went wrong during a broadcast of Beethoven's Eroica symphony. The announcer apologized and proceeded to fill out the remaining few minutes with 'I'll be Loving You Always.' Emergency records should be the ones nearest to hand; they should be selected with due regard to both the preceding and the following programmes.

Pick of next week's programmes: Purim version of Musical Quiz (tomorrow at 9.30 a.m.); 'Cavalleria Rusticana' (tomorrow at 8.45); Labour Feature (Sunday at 8); Purim programmes include 'Wine Songs' (Monday at 8) and 'A Drinking Night's Dream' (Tuesday at 7.10). *AUDIO*

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM 497 M.; HAIFA: 249 M.; TEL AVIV: 43.9, 33.3 & 522 M.

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m. (tomorrow 8.30 a.m.), 7.59 a.m. 12.00 N., 1.30, 6, 8.30 and 11.00 p.m.; English: 2 and 9.30 p.m.; Arabic Programme (including News): 8.00 a.m., 2.15 and 7.15 p.m.; French: 5 p.m.

TODAY

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercise. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 8.30 Oriental Music. 8.45 Close Down. 10.30 a.m. Music While You Work (R). 11.00 Music (R). 12.02 Programme for Hospitals. 12.30 Ballet Music (R). 1.00 Break for Music (R). 3.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Kabbalat Shabat. 4.30 Classical Request Programme (R). 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Programme Announcements. 7.10 Kol Yisrael Orchestra (R). 7.45 "The Political Scene." 8.00 Community Singing. 8.20 Bible Reading. 8.45 Story. 9.00 Friday Night Concert: "The Tempest" (Tchaikowsky), Belgium Theatre Orchestra. Conductor: Melik-Pashiyev; Suite No. 2 from the Ballet "Romeo & Juliet" (Prokofiev). Boston Symphony Orchestra. Conductor: Sergei Koussevitzky; Violin Concerto (Glazounov); Eroica Philharmonic Orchestra. Conductor John Barbirolli. Soloist: Jascha Heifetz; Symphony No. 2 (Borodine). Chicago Symphony Orchestra. Conductor: Desire Defauw. 10.30 Melodies (R). 11.05 Close Down.

TOMORROW

7.30 a.m. Service & Melodies. 8.40 Light Music (R). 9.00 Morning Concert: "The Origin of Design" (Handel-Beecham); Concerto for Two Pianos & Orchestra (Bach); Eleven Viennese Dances (Beethoven); "La Mer" (Debussy). 10.00 Musical Quiz. 10.30 Literary Corner. 11.00 Concert Hall: Fakir-studio" (Bennieta); Violin Concerto (Grunberg). 12.00 Soldiers' Programme. 12.00 Requests (R). 1.00 "Theatres & Films." 1.45 Cantorial Recordings (R). 3.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Light Music. 4.45 "Cavalleria Rusticana" — Opera by Mascagni (R). 7.00 Programme Announcements. 7.40 "Hamavdil." 7.45 Guests in the Studio. 8.00 Questions & Answers by S. Rosen. 8.25 Bible Reading. 8.40 Sports. 9.00 Melaveh Malka. 9.30 Folk Dances (R). 10.00 Tel Aviv Dances. 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

468, 238, 277, 43.9 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m., 10.30 p.m. French: 2.00 p.m.

Today: 4.00 p.m. "Alexander Nevsky" (Prokofiev). 4.45 Agricultural Corner (R). 5.00 Programme for Yemenites. 5.20 Close Down.

Tomorrow: 4.00 p.m. Music of Our Time (R). 4.45 Pre-Classical Music (R). 5.00 Gems of World Poetry. 5.30 Children's Hour. 6.00 Programme for the Working Women. 6.15 Close Down.

Kol Zion Lagola (33.3 M.): 11.15 p.m. Reading & Legends. 11.30 "International Relations." 11.45 Spotlight. Tomorrow: 11.15 "Purim." 11.30 Press Conference. 11.45 Songs of Tel Chai.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (30.53 & 42.09 M.): 6.30 p.m. News. 6.40 News Talk. 6.45 British Affairs. Tomorrow: 6.30 News. 6.40 Jewish Affairs. 6.45 Focus on Israel Affairs.

ARMY PROGRAMMES (220, 225 and 44.6 M.): 6.30 p.m. Programme Announcements. 6.35 Bible Reading. 6.45 Friday Night Concert: Works by Handel & Dvorak. 7.15 Hagadah Stories. 7.30 This Week's Events. 7.45 Opera. 8.45 From the World of Music. 9.00 The Camp Dances. 10.00 Close Down. Tomorrow: 6.30 p.m. Story of a Film. 7.00 Variety. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 Works by Smetana. 8.00 Questions & Answers. 8.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

VOICE OF AMERICA: Hebrew Programme: 5—5.30 p.m. (13.05, 16.85, 19.91, 19.82 and 25.95 M. from U.S.A.; 31.20 and 41.25 from Tangiers.)

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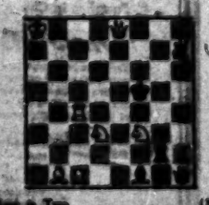

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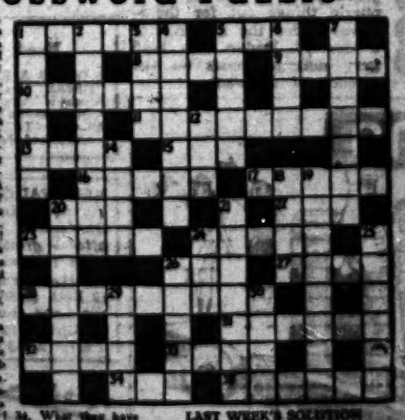

ACROSS. — 1. He was said to be a rock. 5. Not a bodyguard's call! 8. Calendar fruit! 9. Make eyes. 10. Lager to a pill for a man. 11. Modern ones connected with journalism! 13. Feature of an orchestra. 15. It sends oiling occasionally. 16. A tight bit of land! 17. Where about a feature of London. 20. Sheep's head! 22. Place for a bath! 23. A man may come to read it. 24. He has his's a rather. 26. Fan of Pussy. 27. The way he is. Dunc. 28. Does a dressmaker this sum! 31. A job for the electrician. 32. Miscellaneous lens! 33. Not a talking shop, don't! 34. What they have to get in Boston! 35. Spoiled.

DOWN.—1. What the owl did! 2. Of which there are many sorts. 3. A forces date to the Jewish's. 4. Unusual position of food? 5. Probably taken in school. 6. At which you may have to pay. 7. A sun one is an unconventional. 12. A bit of a cracker. 14. May be planted in the centre especially 24. A shady transaction. 18. Things that gave and go in pairs! 19. Rather a cute. 21. Something to make shine. 24. Gardens in the heart of Rome. 25. But two, pair! 29. Is one of complete book! 30. Mind mind or a frame. 31. In minds we'll write.

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DOWN.—1. Swiss. 2. Brier. 3. Rasp. 4. Atoll. 5. Gib. 6. Rat-ear. 9. Fo-lio-t. 11. Tap. 12. Mane. 13. Cannon. 18. Gin. 19. Hin. 18. Bacon. 20. (p)Rice. 21. Wed. 22. Lo. 23. Sonnet. 24. Ban. 25. Lingo. 28. Hissy. 31. Sheep. 32. Rain. 33. Hole.

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